

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Controls Eased

RELAXATION of the restrictions on movement between the Colony and China announced by Government yesterday will come as welcome news to many of the Chinese community in Hongkong, though Peking is certain to find complaint with the retention of the discriminatory clauses which restrict completely free travel. The regulations have been the subject of much discussion in recent weeks not only in the Colony but in Peking.

Criticism has been directed from two different standpoints: from Hongkong residents both in and out of the Colony who genuinely object to obstacles to free movement for either business or personal reasons; and by the Communist authorities who find in this reasonable complaint a convenient pretext for exploitation of a grievance and embarrassment of the colonial administration.

The amendments to the regulations cater entirely for Cantonese who are bona fide residents of the Colony. This means they require identity cards as well as certain other documents to establish their entitlement to an exit and re-entry permit. Those Hongkong residents at present in China desiring to return have been given a month to apply for re-entry. There are no provisions for free passage of non-residents. To that extent the amendments may be regarded as one-sided.

AN examination of the announcement shows that Government in reaching this decision has been guided—as it must—purely by political and economic realities. There is no alternative at present. However worthy the traditional principle of free entry and exit may be it is impractical at the moment.

The Colony with its multi-farious problems caused by the huge growth of population in the post-war years cannot reasonably be expected to throw open the border to free passage with the certain knowledge that Hongkong will only gain new settlers but never lose existing residents.

There is however one aspect concerned with the mechanics of the regulations which might consider. It is noted that intending travellers applying for permission to leave require three photographs. If their identity cards are not to be deposited with the Hongkong authorities on leaving, could not one of these photographs be used for a duplicate identity card to be retained by immigration officials at the border? This would help establish the identity of travellers who due to confiscation or loss of the documents entitling them to re-entry may find difficulty in returning to the Colony.

THE added confidence and security which the traveller would gain by this proposal would far outweigh the small increase in paperwork it would involve for the authorities. A slightly higher charge could be made to compensate for this safeguard, if necessary.

Finally it is worthwhile adding that travel is, or should be, a right of a citizen of this Colony, not a privilege, and that every assistance should be afforded by the immigration authorities to those passing between here and China. Undoubtedly initial pressure will be great if anything like 500 entries are handled each day but sympathetic understanding of the plight of these people is necessary. And if it is found at the expiration of the 30-day time limit that still more bona fide residents desire to return an extension of this sensible provision should be made to help them.

PAKISTAN

BULGANIN WANTS
TO VISIT US

Disclosure At Sunday's
Picnic For Diplomats

Moscow, Aug. 7.
The Soviet Premier, Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, today expressed the hope to visit the United States "one day."

Bulganin was answering a newspaperman's question during a reception for the diplomatic corps at his Datcha (summer residence) situated some 60 miles out of Moscow.

Asked about the possibility of his visit to the United States, Bulganin said, "We have neither a plan nor an invitation, but I also hope this will come one day."

Regarding the Soviet government's invitation to French statesmen to visit Moscow, Bulganin said, "The Soviet people want the friendship of the French people. I think the trip to Moscow of (Premier) M. Edgar Faure and (Foreign Minister) M. Antoine Pinay will strengthen the friendship of the two peoples."

All top-ranking Soviet leaders were present at the government's country house reception—the first of its kind ever held for members of the diplomatic corps.

They danced popular dances, sang folk songs, went out boating with the diplomats and showed them around the huge 300-acre estate once owned by Count Orlov, a favourite of Catherine the Great.

"NOT SURPRISING"
The guests were received by Premier Bulganin, who played the host. He was assisted by Communist Party Chief Nikita Khrushchev, Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov and Vice-Premier Georgi Malenkov.

The reception was the most informal function in the annals of Soviet diplomacy. In a speech welcoming the guests during an open air luncheon, Bulganin said, "My friends Khrushchev and myself, we have spent this day of leisure reading press reports which described our meeting today as 'without precedent.' But I think there is nothing surprising in this meeting seeing that the latest period in the development of international relations has been without precedent indeed."

At this point, Khrushchev interrupted him, saying "But let us not interfere with our work." Toasting his guests with champagne, Bulganin went on, "We have here representatives of the West, the East, the South and the Southwest, as well as from all corners of the world."

"FRIENDSHIP TOAST"
"We have met here as friends. I would like to propose a toast of friendship to you and may

Inchwells
Attack Probe

Taipei, Aug. 8.
The Nationalist Chinese government is making an investigation of the reported attack on the British freighter Inchwells by four Chinese Thunderjets near Foochow, Foreign Office sources said on Sunday.

The information declined any further comment while the case was "under investigation."

The Inchwells was reported to have been bombed and strafed by Nationalist aircraft outside the Communist port of Foochow on Wednesday, injuring two Chinese crew members.

The immediate reaction here was almost negative as the Chinese Air Force denied any knowledge of the reported shooting.

GIRL
STOWAWAY
HAS
NO REGRETS

Long Beach, Calif., Aug. 7.
A beautiful 16-year-old Portuguese, Joyce Lin Pilapil, today waved goodbye to 240 "shipmates" aboard the Canadian destroyer, Athabaskan, as two detectives took her ashore to face charges of stowing away eight days ago in Hawaii.

"It was a wonderful trip," she said jauntily. "I'd like to do it again—only legally."

Joyce Lin was dressed in a red and blue cotton skirt and leather sandals as she climbed down a ladder to the deck of a coast-guard cutter which came alongside the destroyer at Long Beach breakwater.

Her hair was cut in a tight boyish bob. "I had it cut specially for the trip," she said.

She said she had a very comfortable trip in the cabin after the first day. She had left a note written in lipstick for her parents in Hilo, Hawaii.

STOWAWAY CHARGES
The two detectives and a nurse took Joyce Lin to juvenile detention quarters in Long Beach. The detectives said she would be arraigned tomorrow on stowaway charges in Los Angeles.

"I guess they'll send me back to Hawaii," the brown-eyed girl said. "But I don't want to go."

The captain of the Athabaskan, Lieutenant Commander Charles Richardson of Halifax, told reporters:

"This is a very regrettable incident. I'm convinced that none of my men brought this girl aboard. But I may have to swallow those words."



MOHAMMED ALI

MOROCCAN CRISIS

Quick
Solution
Necessary

Paris, Aug. 7.
The French Government today buckled down in earnest to the problem of finding a solution for the crisis which threatens civil war in Morocco.

Informed sources said the government feels something urgent must be done within the next two weeks, before the August 20 anniversary of the deposition of Sultan Sidi Mohammed Ben Youssef.

That anniversary, the reckoning day of Moroccan nationalism, is expected to be the signal for a new wave of bloody rioting against the French.

REFORM PROGRAMME

In a preliminary report to Premier Edgar Faure, new Moroccan Resident-General Gilbert Grandval was reported to have proposed the announcement of a big reform programme by that date in hopes of calming Moroccan opinion. This proposal was discussed at a Cabinet meeting yesterday, the sources said.

The reform programme will be discussed in detail on Thursday at a meeting of the Co-ordination Committee for North Africa which M. Faure set up recently.

The National Assembly recessed for a two-month vacation yesterday and Faure's hands are comparatively free. Some of the rightist ministers in Faure's Cabinet were said to be against the reform programme because they judged that the situation in Morocco was still too uncertain for such a programme to have any effect.—United Press.

SEARCH FOR
MISSING WOMAN

Calcutta, Aug. 7.
Indian police are conducting a nation-wide hunt for a British housewife, Mrs. Edna Mary Dixon, mother of three children, who disappeared from her home last August.

Mrs. Dixon, wife of a British boiler expert, was last seen boarding a train bound in the direction of Madras, in the company of her Pakistani butler, Habibulla Rahaman, the police said.

The police said that when Mrs. Dixon left her home north of Calcutta on Aug. 3 last, she said she was "going uptown" and carried a camera, a small suitcase and 1,000 Indian rupees (US\$230).

Newspapers here are offering rewards for news of Mrs. Dixon.—France-Press.

Decimal Currency For Cyprus

London, Aug. 8.
The Treasury today announced details of a new decimal currency which has been introduced into Cyprus.

The Treasury said the pound would remain as the standard unit, but would be divided into 1,000 rallas instead of shillings and pence.

LOSES PARTY
LEADERSHIP
Possibility Of A
Coalition Govt

Karachi, Aug. 7.
Mr Mohammed Ali resigned tonight as Pakistan Prime Minister.

His resignation came shortly after the Moslem League's Parliamentary Party had refused to approve him as Party leader.

The Parliamentary Party chose the Finance Minister, Choudhri Mohammed Ali as Party leader and authorised him to negotiate with opposition parties including the Awami league to obtain a working majority in the Constituent Assembly.

Earlier in the day, Moslem League leaders were reported to have invited the leader of the opposition Awami Party, Mr Hussain Suhrawardy, to replace Mr Mohammed Ali as Prime Minister.

He was reported to have accepted and Moslem League Party sources said that Choudhri Mohammed Ali would now begin talks with him immediately.

Fully Reconstituted

The acting Governor-General, Major-General Skander Mirza, on his first day in office announced just before midnight:

"The Constituent Assembly having been fully reconstituted, the Prime Minister has, in accordance with constitutional practice, handed in his resignation to the acting Governor-General."

"His Excellency has requested the Prime Minister to continue in office till a new ministry is sworn in."

The Moslem League will meet tomorrow morning to hear the result of Choudhri Mohammed Ali's negotiations to form a coalition government.—Reuter.

Voluntary Exile
Threat By Persia's
Moslem Leaders

Teheran, Aug. 7.
Moslem leaders in Persia have threatened to go into voluntary exile in neighbouring Iraq unless the Persian Government gives them a free hand to fight "the enemies of Islam."

Meetings took place during June to try to avert a trial of strength between the church and the government during the holy period of Muharram, which lasts for 40 days from the middle of August to the end of September.

Sayed Nouredine, the leading Mullah of Shiraz, an important centre some 400 miles south of Teheran, declared that there were "very great" differences between the Moslem church and the government. He blamed United States influence for part at least of the recent conflict between the Mullahs and the Cabinet.

Chlor among the "enemies of Islam" mentioned by Persian Mullahs is the Bahai religious sect which was suppressed by government decree on May 17 this year.

LATEST DEMAND
Now, the Mullahs want the authorities to go a stage further and confiscate all Bahai property in the country, worth some millions of dollars, and disburse from government service all those known or suspected to be Bahais.

There are reputed to be hundreds of thousands of Bahais in Persia, scores of them filling important jobs in finance, government administration, commerce and medicine. Since Bahais often learn English, large numbers of them are therefore employed here by United States and other Western agencies.

Sayed Nouredine was summoned by the government to Teheran in July following religious clashes at Shiraz, in which Moslems attacked Bahais who were attempting to salvage the debris of one of their most important shrines, which had been destroyed by a mob.

Since then, Shiraz has been under martial law. In Teheran, Nouredine summed up the Mullahs' demands as follows: "The United States must recognise the fact that they do not support the Bahai movement, which is Islamic. No. 1 enemy today. The United States government could easily show its goodwill by disavowing the Bahais and by suppressing newspaper criticism inside the United States of what the Persian Moslem church is doing here to exterminate the Bahai group."

GENEVA TALKS

New Effort
To Solve
Problem

Geneva, Aug. 8.

United States and Communist Chinese diplomats, at their fourth meeting here today (Monday), were continuing their search for a solution to the problem of repatriation of civilians in each other's country.

Mr Wang Ping-nan, principal Chinese negotiator, was understood to be giving his government's reply to the long statement on the civilians' repatriation issue made by his American opposite number, Mr Alexis Johnson, at their last meeting on Thursday.

Mr Wang then asked for a three-day adjournment to consult his government.

The talks, which began on August 1, have been held in private.

It is understood the United States wants an early release of about 40 American civilians held in Communist China.

Mr Johnson is believed to have assured Mr Wang that all Chinese students in the United States are free to go to China if they want to, but only about 150 of the 5,000 Chinese students wish to return to China, according to the American authorities.—Reuter.

Will Oppose
Schools Closing

Manila, Aug. 8.
The Nationalist Chinese Minister, Chow Shu-lai, served notice on Sunday that he would protest strongly against any attempt by the Philippine government to close all Chinese schools in the Philippines.

Mr Chow, Charge d'Affaires of the local Chinese Embassy, was commenting on a report that a high-ranking member of the Board of National Education had recommended closure of the schools on the ground that reports of their infiltration by Communists were adversely affecting the Philippine educational system.

The recommendation was based on reports by government intelligence agencies indicating Communist activities in alien-operated schools. As a result the Board named a special committee to conduct an investigation and to submit a report of its findings on August 17.

"We will only be giving more ammunition to the Communists to bolster their false claims and allegations that the Chinese Nationalists here are being persecuted if these schools are closed," said Mr Chow.

He also said closing of the schools would run counter to the provisions of the treaty of amity between the Philippines and Free China.—United Press.

25 KILLED IN
PLANE CRASH

Oslo, Aug. 7.

Twenty-five persons, including ten members of a Norwegian women's delegation, were killed today in the crash of a Soviet passenger plane, the Foreign Office announced.

A Foreign Office spokesman said the plane crashed on a flight from Stalingrad to Moscow. He said the Norwegians were members of political and social groups invited to visit Russia.

The spokesman said the victims also included five plane crewmen and ten Soviet passengers.—United Press.

Archbishop
Changes
His Demand

Nicosia, Aug. 7.

Archbishop Makarios preached today to 1,500 chanting worshippers against the new detention law which touched off Tuesday's riots, but changed from his demands for Enosis (union with Greece) to a plea for self-determination.

While he spoke at St Nicholas' Church 45 miles from Nicosia, leaflets of the secret terrorist gang Eoka were distributed in Famagusta warning citizens that anyone collecting funds for the Eoka was an impostor. The leaflets said Eoka needed no funds and no collections had been authorised.—Reuter.

Fifteen students of the Imperial Defence College, including two US Marine officers, arrived at Nicosia today for a course of study in current military and political problems. They will confer with the Governor and inspect new Army camps and Royal Air Force bases.—United Press.

RHINO'S UNIQUE
DISTINCTION

Calcutta, Aug. 7.
A British ten planter and naturalist, Mr E. P. Gee, has reported seeing what he believes is the first known case of a rhinoceros with twin calves.

He spotted the rhino and her calves, identical in height, and about three years old, at 60 yards distance in the Kaziranga sanctuary in the Assam state. There were no other rhinos in sight.

Mr Gee, a leading authority on Indian wild life, said he had never heard of a case of twins being born to a rhino before, though there are several recorded cases of twins being born to Indian elephants.—China Mail Special.

Daily Express
On Kai Tak
Contract

London, Aug. 8.

The Daily Express today claimed that Britain was losing ground to France in Hongkong and South America in the sphere of export markets.

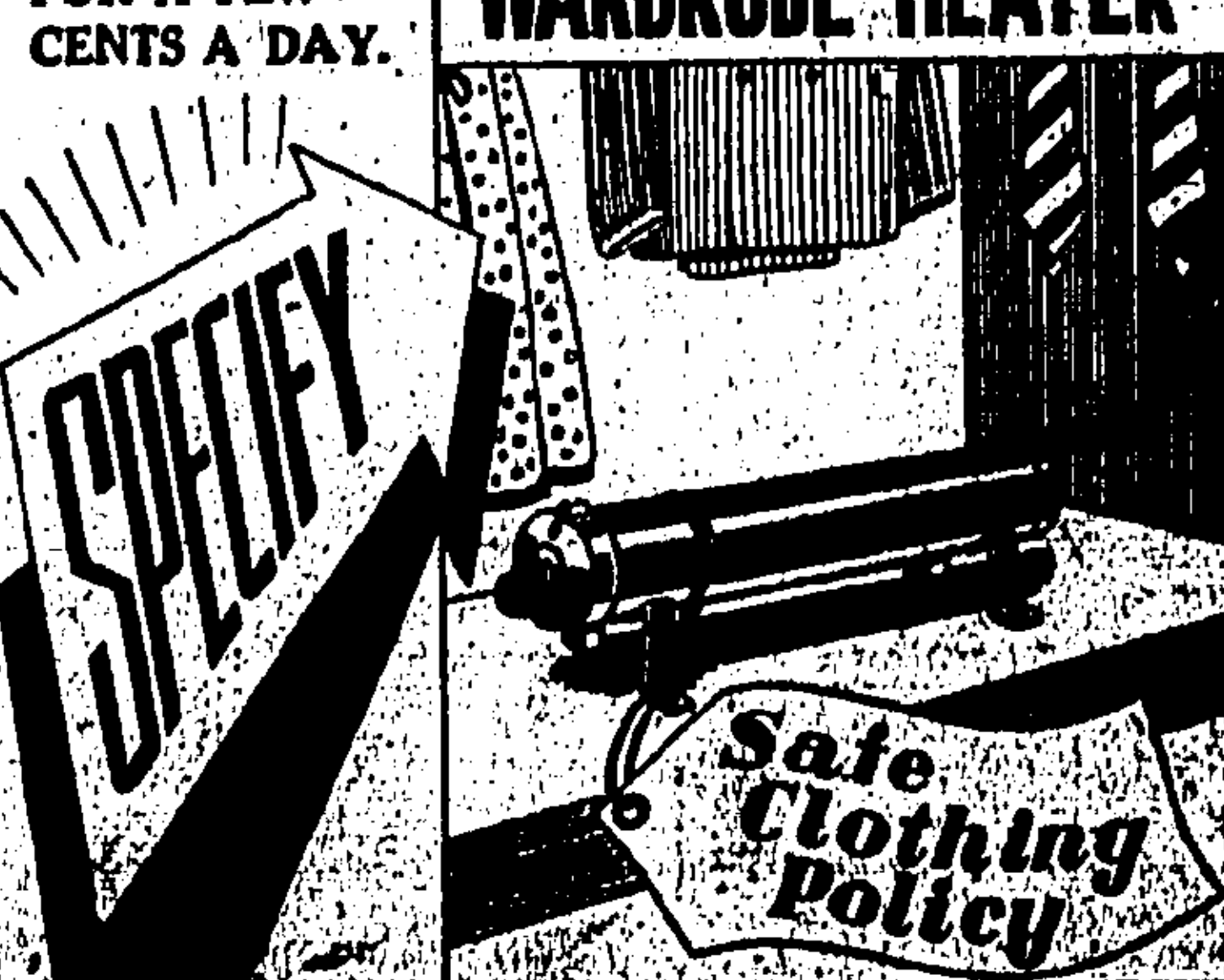
"In the British colony of Hongkong a juicy contract is landed by the French," this independent right-wing newspaper declared. "They collect 25 million in an airfield construction deal."

The French are also doing well in South America, where they have captured a whole range of big contracts.

The British news from South America states some shipping deals have been lost altogether because of holdups in the dock strike.

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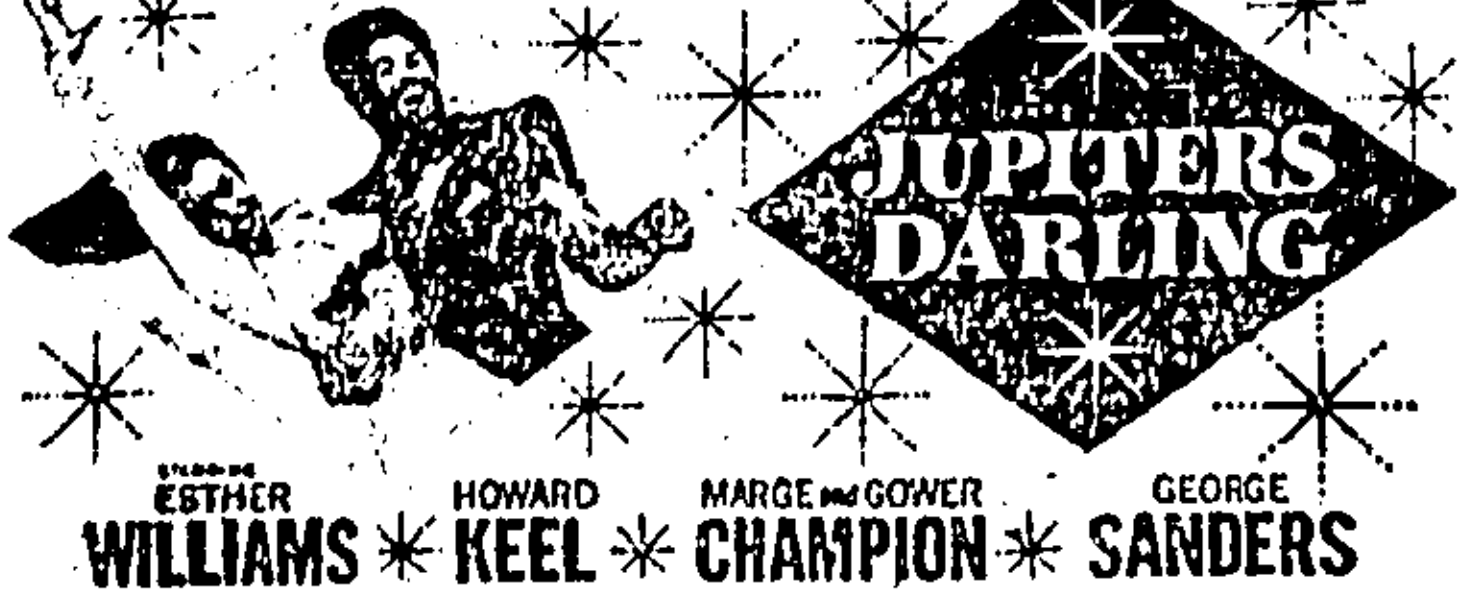
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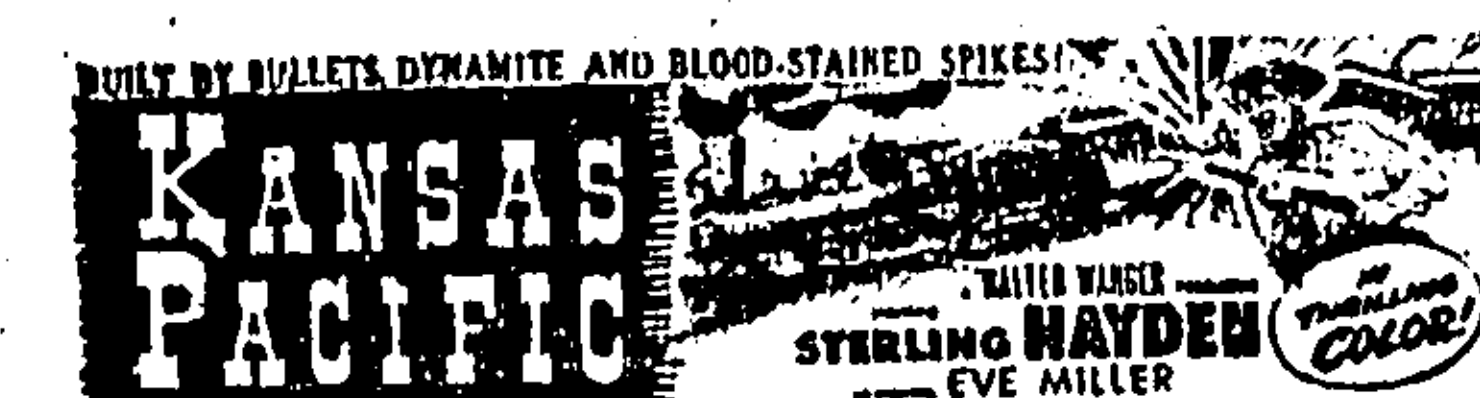


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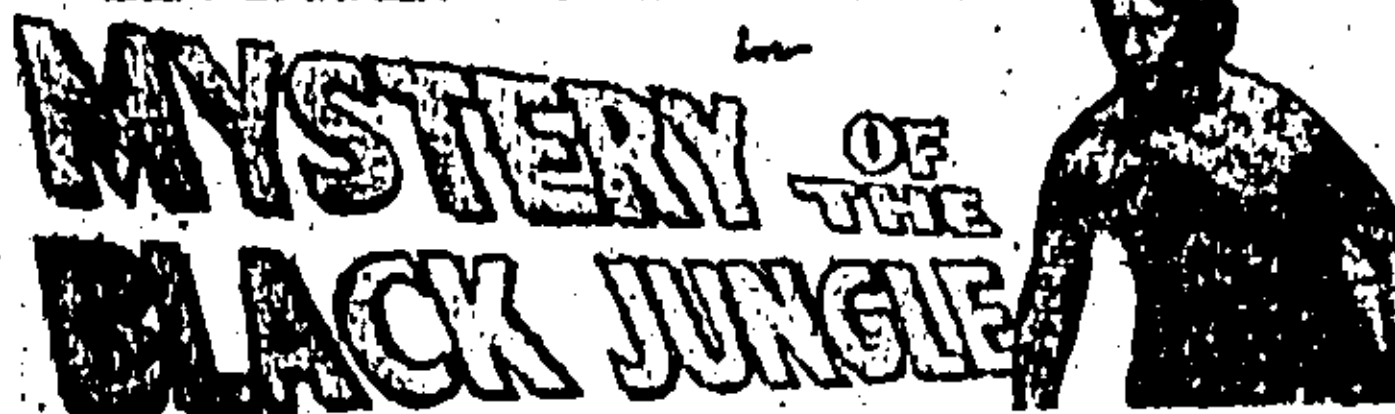
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ATOMIC ENERGY CONGRESS
World Could Face Golden Future If Nations Agree

Geneva, Aug. 7.

The biggest and certainly one of the most important conferences ever held gets under way here tomorrow. It is the first international congress on the peaceful uses of atomic energy. Ten years almost to the day the first plutonium bomb smothered Nagasaki the curtain of atomic secrecy begins to part for the first time.

In the next 12 days the world will catch glimpses of the golden future humanity can forge for itself if it wishes. There is a heady air of anticipation in Geneva tonight. World famous scientists—who would have been shot or imprisoned for communicating with each other a few months ago—are eager to talk shop.

They have been only names to each other until now—unseen opponents in a blind race to the ultimate weapon. Now they are suddenly face to face and it is worth haunting a few hotel lobbies to see them. "I am honoured to meet you," says the Russian to the Frenchman or the Englishman to the American or the Canadian to the Norwegians, "I thought your work on so-and-so was superb."

Exciting Time

There are smiles and handshakes and the jargon over coffee becomes more and more familiar until only another nuclear physicist would have the slightest idea of the matters being discussed. It is an exciting time for them and it will be for all the world if the conference fulfils the high hopes of President Eisenhower who first suggested it.

It looked tonight as though it might go at least part of the way.

"This congress will wipe out the memories of the last 10 years," said Reinhold Harwardt, a Japanese physicist on whose nation the first two atomic bombs exploded.

As he spoke the first "secrets" were being revealed they were all minor secrets but even a little

breach in the thick walls of atomic security is an event of worldwide importance.

The US showed its automatic pool reactor, this first automatic atomic reactor in the world. A veteran American physicist, George Well, technical adviser to the American delegation, described it with the candour of an automobile salesman extolling a car.

Dr Well is a famous man in atomics. He was in it in 1939 and in 1942 he actually worked the controls that started the first atomic pile working in a disused Chicago football court. "His reactor needs seven or eight pounds of U-235 mixed with U-238 in the proportion of one to five," he said giving away hitherto classified information with an air of studied calm.

Soviet Russia also revealed a secret or two. The most important was a film "First in the World" which seemed to confirm the Russian claim that it had an atom power station working in June 1945. American scientists concluded that it was not a very advanced model but they seemed otherwise to be quite impressed by the fact (which is exactly what the film was intended to stress) that the Reds know about as much as anybody else.

French Secret

The French secret is that it can make plutonium in quantities large enough for peace or war. This is a conference for peaceful use of the atom but no one missed the significance of the French exhibit presided over by some handsome lady mathematician, Huguette Batsch—a typically French gesture to appoint so charming a representative, said the gallant delegates as they bowed and kissed her hand.

No one pretends, of course, that every nation is going to tell all of its secrets. Dr Well said the United States was revealing all it knew about the peaceful use of the atom and hope to learn as much as it gives. But the operative word is "peaceful."

Some scientists even hinted there might be a peacetime use or two not on the agenda but it is possible neither the United States nor Russia—the two countries working on it most intensively—have yet found a clue to atomic energy from the hydrogen atom. This will have to be done by fusion, instead of fission, and would be by far the most important development ever in atomic energy.—United Press.

Royal Family Picnic On Beach

London, Aug. 7.

People lolling on a quiet secluded beach near Milford Haven, Wales, were asked to move this afternoon to give the Royal Family complete privacy when they came ashore from the Royal yacht Britannia for a picnic on the sands.

But the people, moved on to a cliff overlooking the beach, peeped over and saw Prince Charles and Princess Anne romping on the sand and the Duke of Edinburgh water skiing on the bay.

The Royal Family came ashore in the local harbour master's launch.

After tea, served by the Queen, the party returned to the Britannia where the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh are spending the night before they continue their Welsh tour tomorrow.—Reuter.

Miss Cinema Rome



The beautiful Italian film star Sofia Loren is seen with Italian actor Folco Lulli when attending the contest in Rome to select "Miss Cinema Rome 1955".—Express Photo.

FRANCO-GERMAN SAAR STATUTE Rejection Urged

Saarbruecken, Aug. 7.

The newly formed Christian Democratic Union of the Saar today joined the other pro-German parties in recommending its supporters to reject the Franco-German statute at the referendum on October 23.

In passing a resolution to this effect at its founding meeting here, the Party turned against its "big brothers," Dr Konrad Adenauer's West German Christian Democratic Union which has approved the Saar statute.

(The statute proposes a European administration of the Franco-German border territory pending a German peace treaty).

The Saar Christian Democratic Union said in its resolution that the statute would "in fact separate the Saar from Germany politically and economically."

It said it could not accept a statute which was in fact subject to no limitation in time.

Chairman

Dr Hubert Ney who was elected Chairman, told about 600 delegates that the West German Party had left the Saar Party completely free to make up its mind about the matter.

The two other main pro-German parties, the Democratic Party of the Saar, linked with the West German Free Democrats, and the German Social Democratic Party of the Saar, sister party of the West German Social Democrats, called on Saarlanders last month to reject the statute.—Reuter.

ONE QUAD LEFT

Paris, Aug. 8.

Only one survivor of quadruplets born prematurely to Mme Madeleine Philibert last June remained today, after the death of the third baby last night.

Two of the babies died last month.—China Mail Special.

They Fear Return To Iron Curtain

London, Aug. 7.

FOREIGN sailors who dare not go back to their homes behind the Iron Curtain are a problem for officials whose job it is to find ships for them in London.

There are thousands of sailors who sought freedom by escaping to Britain, and more are always arriving.

They are Russians, Poles, Latvians and Rumanians, and to help overcome the problem, these sailors are being allowed to sign off at the last port before the ship goes to a Communist port and to get another vessel.

They will not sail in a ship they know is going to a Communist port but says a Shipping Federation official: "It is impossible to know where a tramp ship will go because she can be diverted to pick up a likely cargo anywhere."

Signed off

A Polish seaman, Jerry Gradkowski, said: "I thought I had had my last trip at sea when I found my ship was sailing to Poland—but the captain let me sign off at Kiel, Germany.

"The next time I got a ship in London I made sure it was keeping to a regular route."

Another Pole who lives in constant fear of arriving in his own country, by mistake, is Ryszard Skibinski, 20-year-old donkeyman. He says: "I know I should be arrested if I went home. But I don't want to go back to Poland."

His family were all shot by the Germans, and I wouldn't change the British way of life for anything."

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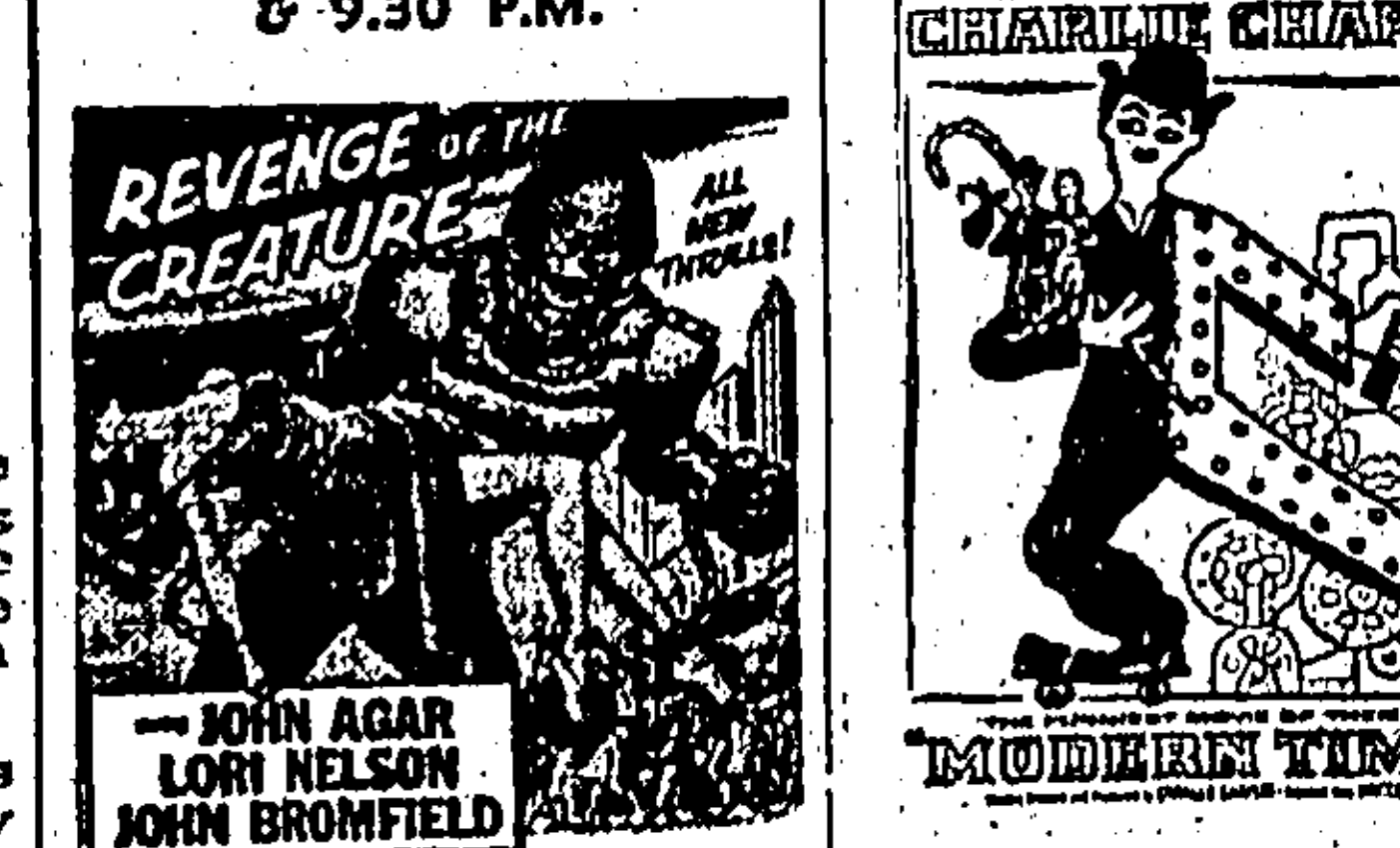
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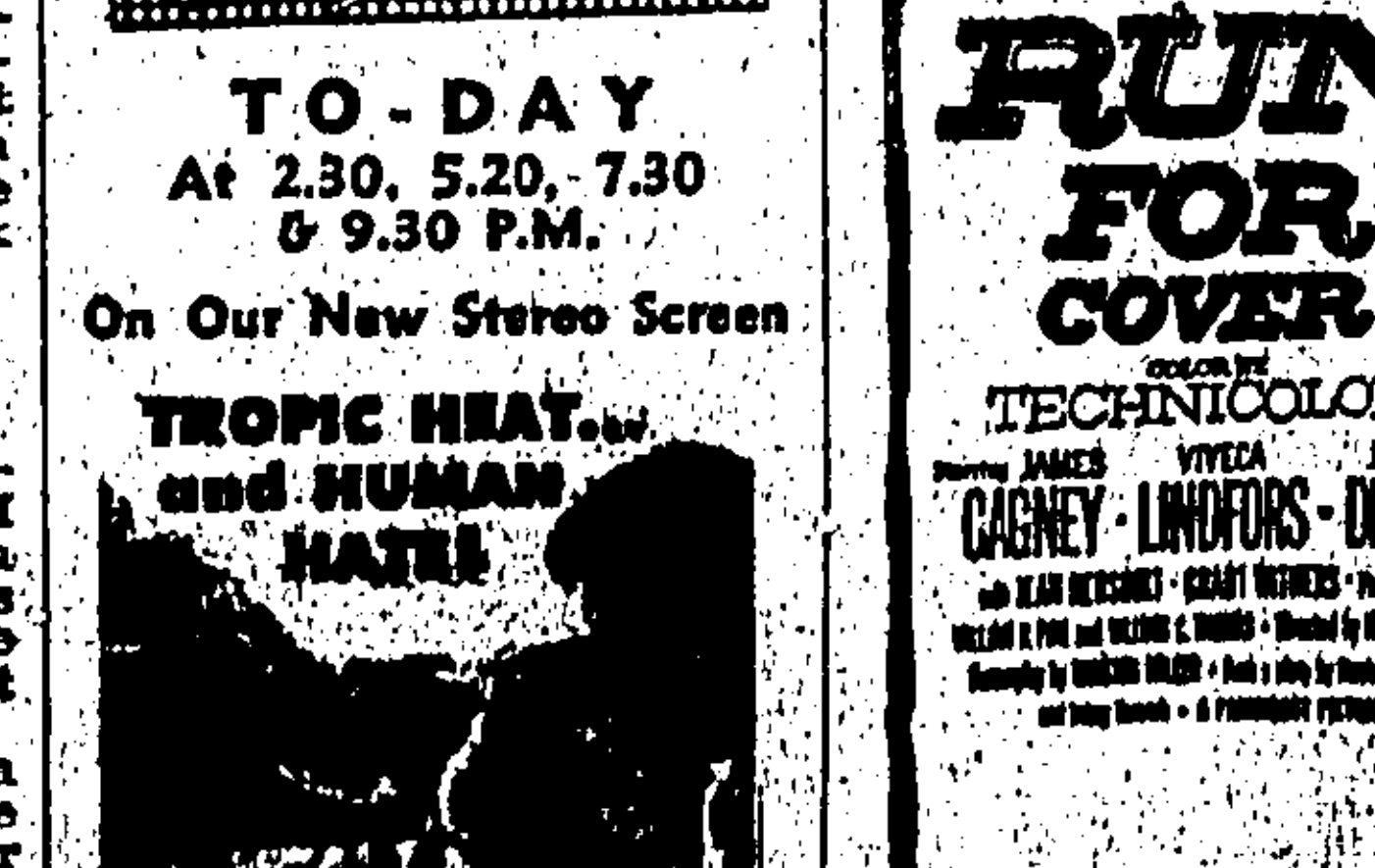
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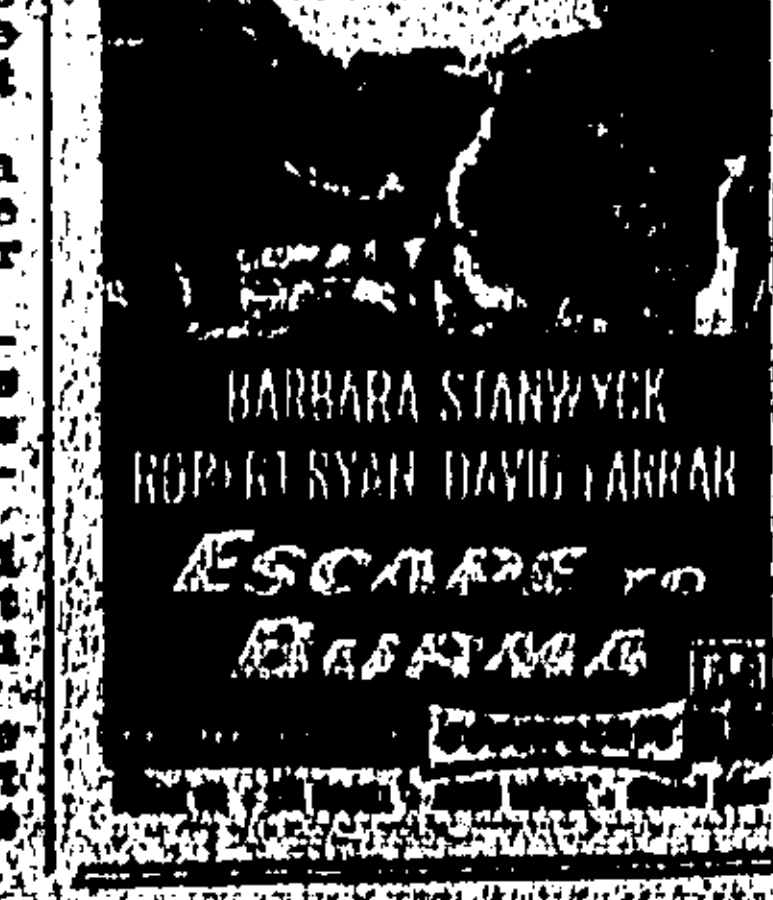
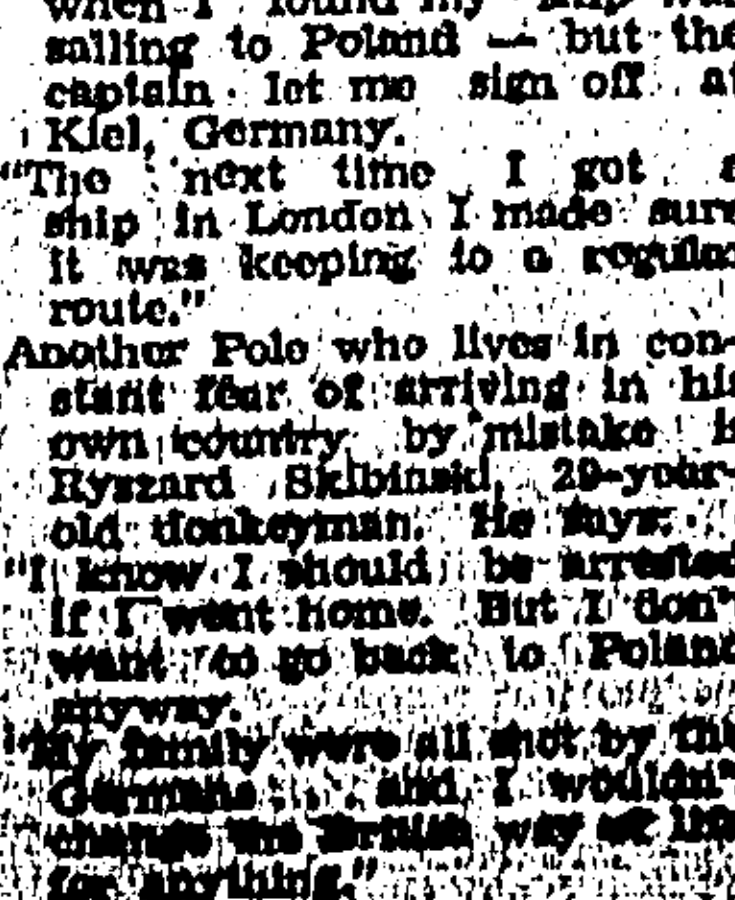
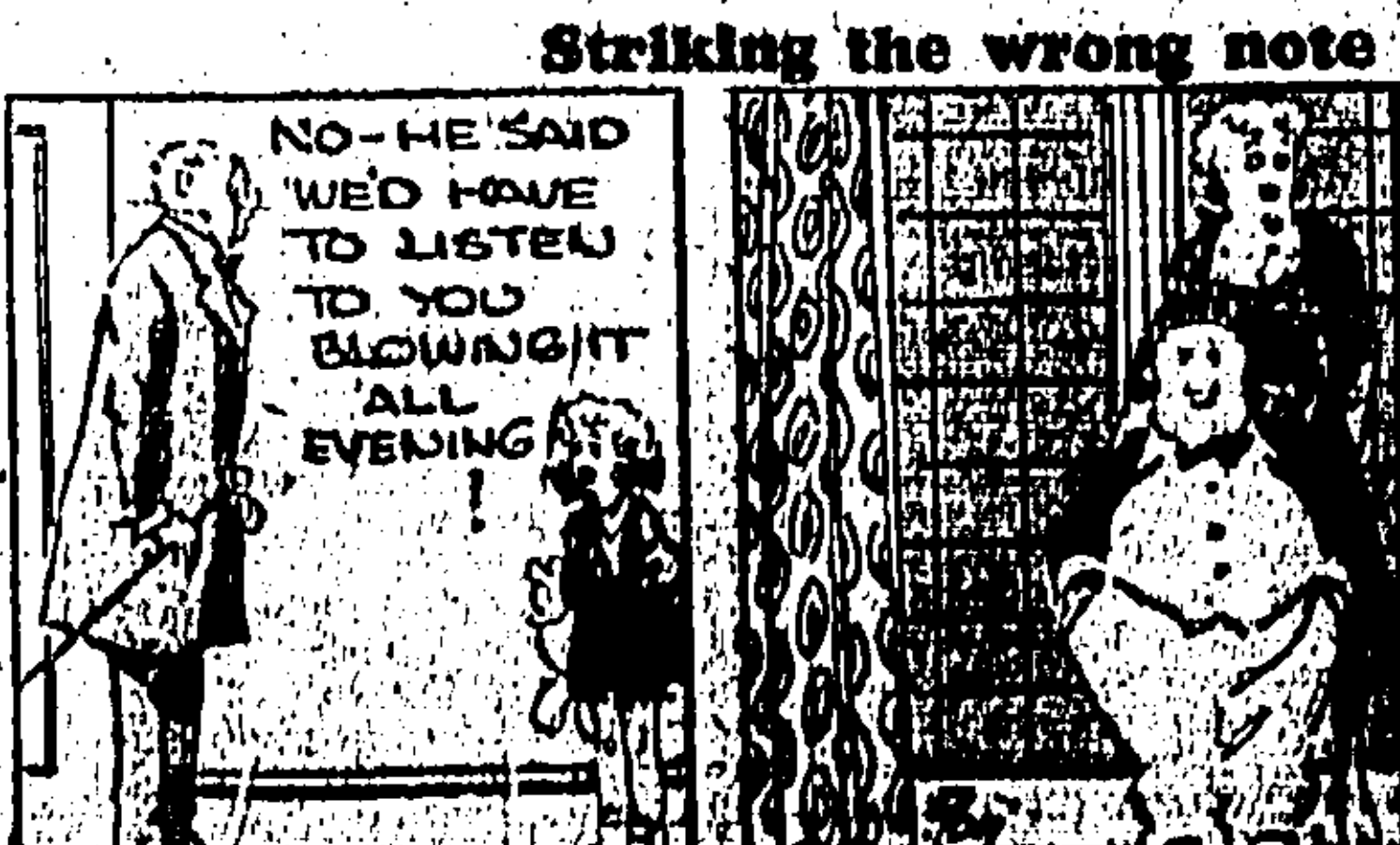
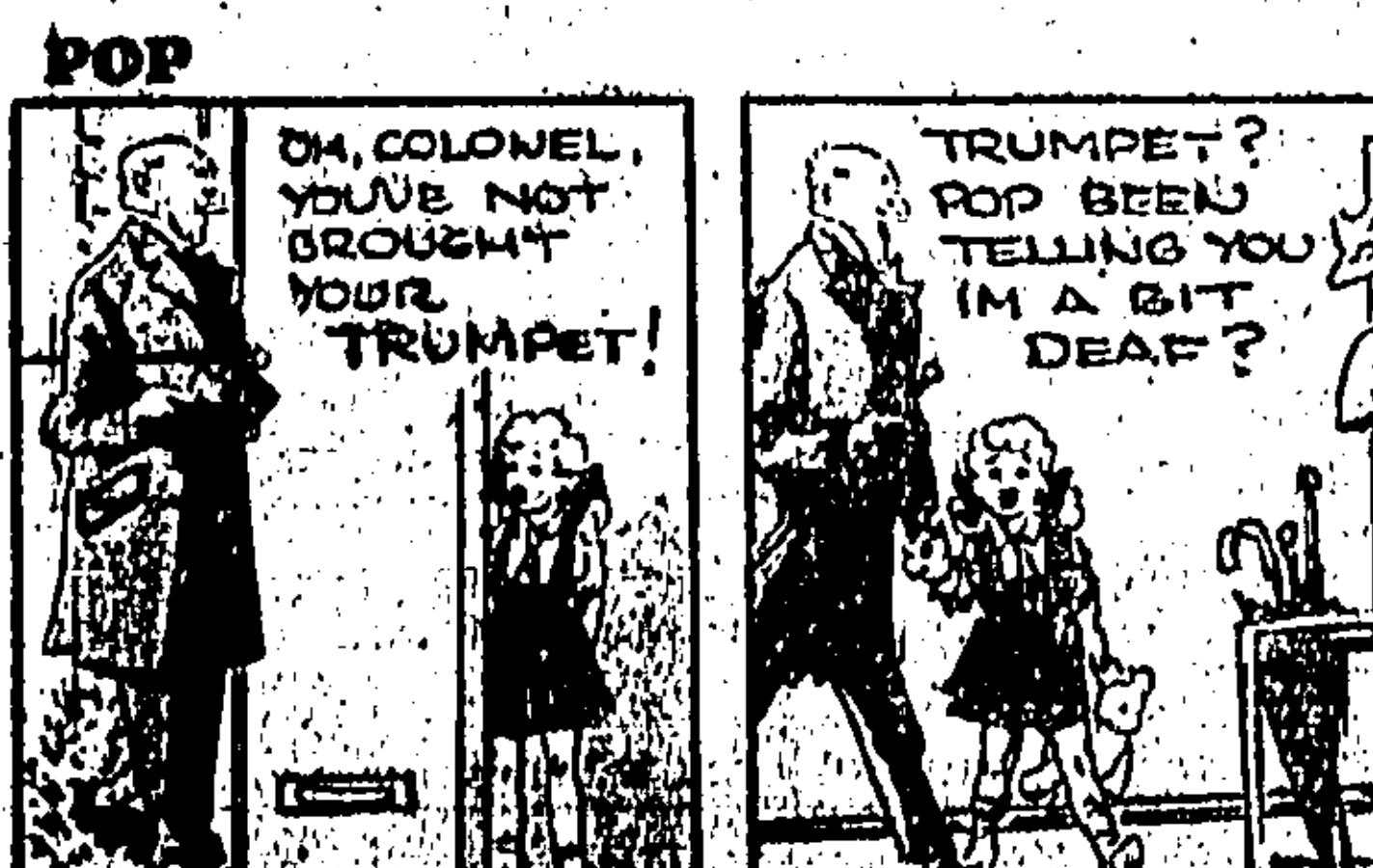


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Floods Devastate Indian Province

13 DROWNED AS VILLAGES SWEEP AWAY

New Delhi, Aug. 7.

A total of 13 persons have been drowned and 200,000 made homeless in flood waters ravaging the United Provinces (Uttar Pradesh) State of India, the latest reports revealed today.

About 200 villages have been swept away. The disaster report was issued by the United Press of India.

Prime Minister Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru left here today for Lucknow, the United Provinces capital, to make an aerial inspection tour of the flooded area.

Some 600 head of cattle have been drowned, 20,000 houses have been destroyed and 5,000 others damaged. Harvests were believed to be completely lost over an area of 150,000 acres.—France-Press.

US Drought

Washington, Aug. 7. A searing August sun burned pastures through the US Midwest and East last week, but Government drought officials reported only one plea for federal aid from New York.

Weather Bureau reports through August 1 said Missouri pastures needed rain to save the shrivelling grass. Great plains pastures were suffering under heat and dryness. In Kansas, pastures were "fading rapidly" and "stock water

shortages again becoming critical."

In New York, where pastures also were falling under the heat wave, Governor Averell Harriman asked the Agriculture Department to survey conditions in six counties. The study was to determine the area's eligibility for federal drought emergency loans.

The Government's feed subsidy programme for drought-stricken farmers and ranchers was dropped on July 31. But emergency loans to qualified farmers hit by drought remain available in affected areas of 19 states—New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Mississippi, South Carolina, Kentucky, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Missouri, Alabama, North Carolina, Virginia, Arkansas, Louisiana, Georgia, Tennessee and Illinois.

Most of the southwestern and plains areas hardest hit by drought and dust bowl conditions last spring and early summer had "come back" with later rains, an Agriculture Department official said.

Mr. Harvey A. Dahl, a drought relief specialist, said only sections of Arizona, New Mexico and Texas remained on the feed subsidy list when that programme was dropped on July 31. At the peak of the drought last spring, feed subsidies were going to farmers and ranchers in more than 1,000 counties in 19 states—a third of the nation's agricultural counties.

Despite one of the hottest Julys on record, their crops have been good in most parts of the country and a big feed grain crop is forecast.

119 Degrees

This summer's heat wave, whatever the records say, doesn't seem as bad as last year to Mr. Dahl, who has made dozens of drought area inspections. He recalled a trip to Missouri last summer when "the temperature hit 119 degrees and we found them putting ice on the incubators to hatch baby chicks."

Some corn had been damaged beyond recovery in Kansas and Nebraska by heat up to August 1. But in most other areas, despite a growing need for water, the crop was reported in generally good condition up to last week.—United Press.

HURRICANE MAY NICK BAHAMAS

Miami, Aug. 7.

Gale force winds from the outer fringes of a hurricane nicknamed "Connie" by the weather bureau are expected to brush the Bahamas tomorrow and residents of the British holiday islands have been warned to remain alert.

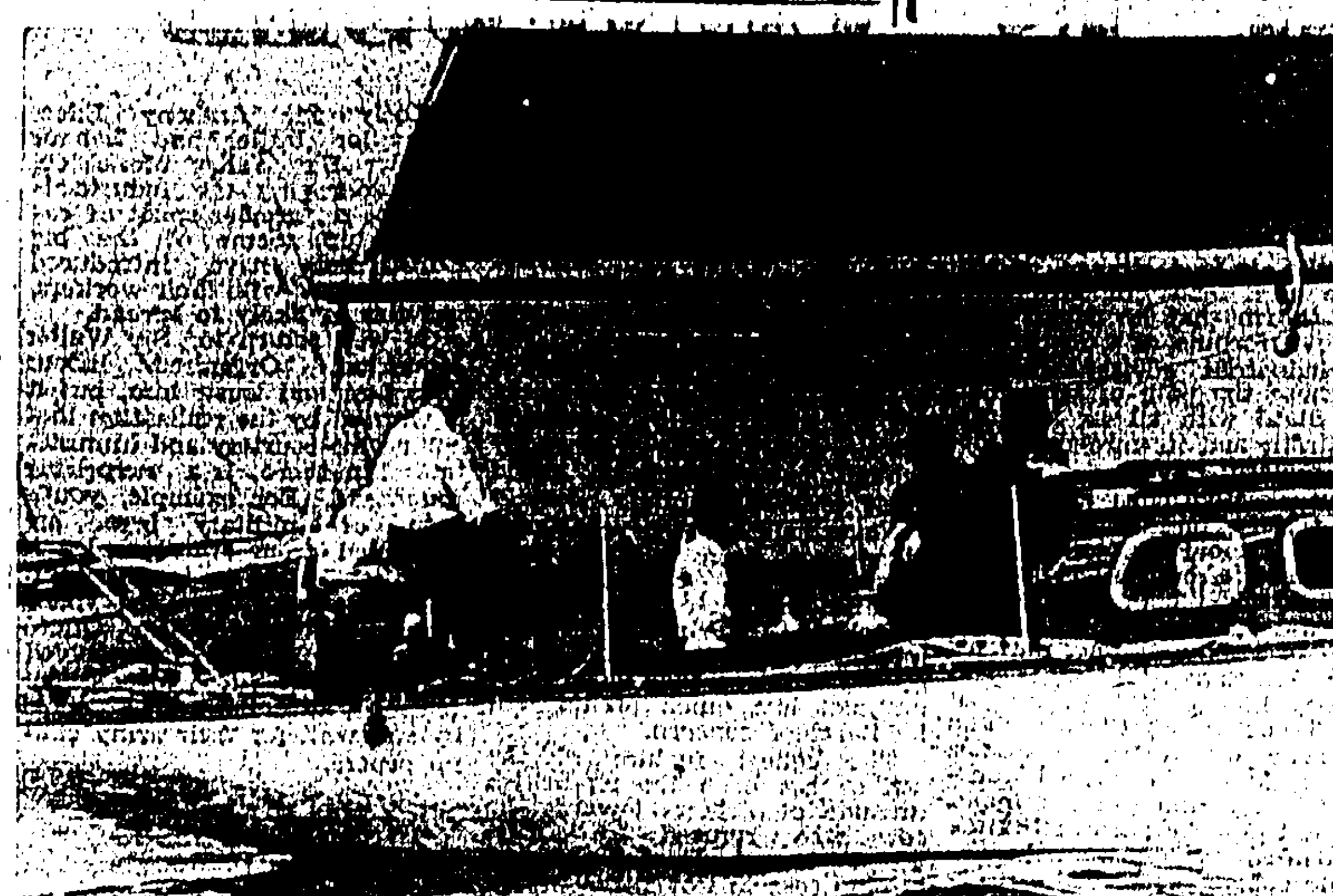
The Bahamas had earlier been expected to bear the full brunt of the hurricane, which has winds estimated at 130 miles per hour extending 75 miles from the centre, but Connie has now changed direction slightly and her centre will pass about 150 miles away.

People along the United States Atlantic coast from North Carolina to central Florida have been warned that the winds will gradually increase and reach hurricane force 150 to 200 miles offshore tomorrow. They have been advised not to go to sea in small boats.

Yesterday and last night Connie, moving at a speed of 16 miles per hour, touched the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. But it bypassed the easternmost of the Bahamas chain today and is expected to reach a position east of Nassau, the capital of the islands, tomorrow morning.

Communications from the Virgin Islands are poor and there has been no word from a Permanent Resident film colony, including William Holden and Deborah Kerr, which has been on location in the islands since Monday.—China Mail Special.

Duke Sailing At Cowes



Duke of Edinburgh aboard Mr. Uffa Fox's 20-ton yacht Fresh Breeze in the 38-mile Britannia Challenge Cup race at the annual Cowes Regatta. Also aboard was Prince Michael of Kent, who was participating for the first time. The yacht sailed for comfort on a riding saddle.—Express photo.

UN Should Invoke Unused Power TOP-LEVEL MEETING

United Nations, Aug. 7.

Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld said today the United Nations should invoke a non-used power to call a top-level Security Council meeting on major world issues.

In his annual report to the September session of the General Assembly, Mr. Hammarskjöld also criticised by inference the world's major powers for leaving the UN behind in trying to solve global problems by such conferences as the summit talks in Geneva.

Mr. Hammarskjöld said the world might find itself better off than giving the UN "a chance to develop its full potentialities" in finding ways toward peace.

SINO-AMERICAN GENEVA TALKS

Subtle Blackmail Says Knowland

Washington, Aug. 7.

US Senate minority leader Mr. William F. Knowland (Republican, of California) said today that the aim of the Chinese Communists in their present Geneva talks with the United States was to obtain a complete list of Chinese living in the United States in order to "blackmail" them into returning to China.

Mr. Knowland told journalists, "The Chinese Communists are working at this in a subtle manner at Geneva. Instead of demanding their countrymen, they are trying to get a list of all Chinese non-citizens in this country so they can use such a list to bring pressure for their return."

He said the number of Chinese Nationals in the United States was about 8,000. Recalling that they entered the United States with Chinese Nationalist visas, he said, "For us to transfer the nationality of these people from Free China to the Chinese Communists would be morally indefensible."

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Continuity

"Might not this provision be invoked and procedures developed in the Council which would give increased continuity and intensified contact in the treatment of certain questions of world concern?" Mr. Hammarskjöld asked.

"Let us hope that possibilities of this kind and similar kinds will be explored in an imaginative spirit and in full recognition of the need to give to the UN a chance to develop its full potentialities as an institution."

Mr. Hammarskjöld did not mention the recent Geneva meeting by the Big Four of the United States, Britain, France and Russia. But he left no doubt that he meant meetings of this kind in his critical attitude toward failure to use the UN fully as the "most representative instrument for the relaxation of tensions."

"The organisation," he said, "should be more than an instrument of what may be described as conference diplomacy. This new diplomacy... is not sufficient for the efforts towards understanding and reconciliation which are of such importance now. The UN can and should support these efforts in other ways."—United Press.

Germany Has Boom Trouble

Bonn, Aug. 7.

West Germany is in trouble—all on account of a boom.

Problem: The boom will burn up 17½ million more tons of coal this year than the country burned last year. But coal production has only risen by 2½ million tons.

And the 15 million ton gap is by no means easy to plug. Germany exports a flat 27 million tons a year. But the figure can't be slashed. West Germany has fixed commitments to the European Coal and Steel pool.

Coal is available from the United States. But it costs \$2 a ton more than coal dug on the Ruhr. Russia and Poland have coal for export—but with strings attached which make it difficult to get immediately.

Get Worse

And it looks as though things will get worse before they get better. German coal miners have just won a seven-and-a-half hour day. Now they want a five-day week.

In all, the 16 million ton gap is just a fraction of the 130 million tons that will go up in smoke this year. But it is a fraction that could end with a big drag on Germany's fight to capture an ever-bigger slice of the world markets for manufactured goods.

One solution: the development of atomic power. But Germany is ten years behind the rest of the world.—London Express Service.

Dr Blunt To Retire

Bradford, Aug. 7.

Dr Alfred Blunt, Bishop of Bradford, who broke the silence in Britain about King Edward VIII's intention to marry Mrs Simpson, has decided to retire because of ill health.

Dr Blunt, 70 next month, set in motion the train of events which led to the abdication of King Edward, now the Duke of Windsor.

It happened on the night of December 1, 1936. Dr Blunt spoke of the expected coronation. It depended, he said, on the "faith, prayer and self-dedication of the King."—China Mail Special.

Nations Converge On South Pole

Washington, Aug. 7.

The South Pole will be the rendezvous for more humdrum during international geophysical year (IGY) 1957-58 than in the entire history of the world.

In all history, only 10 men of Norwegian and British expeditions have ever been on land at the South Pole, and only five ever returned to civilisation to tell their story. Four years from now 100 or more persons may know the vicinity.

In IGY probably about one dozen scientists plus numerous auxiliaries will be comfortably housed, well clad and in easy communication, from the pole with the outside world if logistical plans are successfully accomplished.

They would be serviced in the Antarctic summer months from air or by land, and might also have international visitors from the British-Australian-New Zealand party which plans a land traversal of the Antarctic continent.

"Operation Deep Freeze" of Navy Task Force 43 will get underway about November 1 and ships will be on rings of the Antarctic by Christmas 1955. The first phase of work will be to land materials and start construction of the main base at Little America, and the "air facility" on McMurdo Sound.

construction of the South Pole scientific station. This will include constructed prefabricated housing.

100-Knot Winds

The prefabricated building materials will be strong enough to withstand temperature of 100 degrees below zero and to resist 100-knot winds which occur in the area.

Present indications are that the South Pole "air lift" will be made by Air Force planes of the C-124 type, four-engineined with radius of 4,000 miles and carrying a payload of 10 tons. As the maximum loads would probably not be carried under the extreme conditions of the Antarctic, a minimum 30 flights to the South Pole would be necessary. New type transport planes may be ready by 1957-58.

The operation will be helped by Navy reconnaissance planes, one of which is said to have the finest flying photographic laboratory ever made.

If a landing strip cannot be constructed in the South Pole vicinity some marvellous feats of ice-land transportation to the area are to be expected. New types of snowmobiles and tractors are being made. An over-land trail might, for example, be established from the Byrd base in the Marie Byrd land.

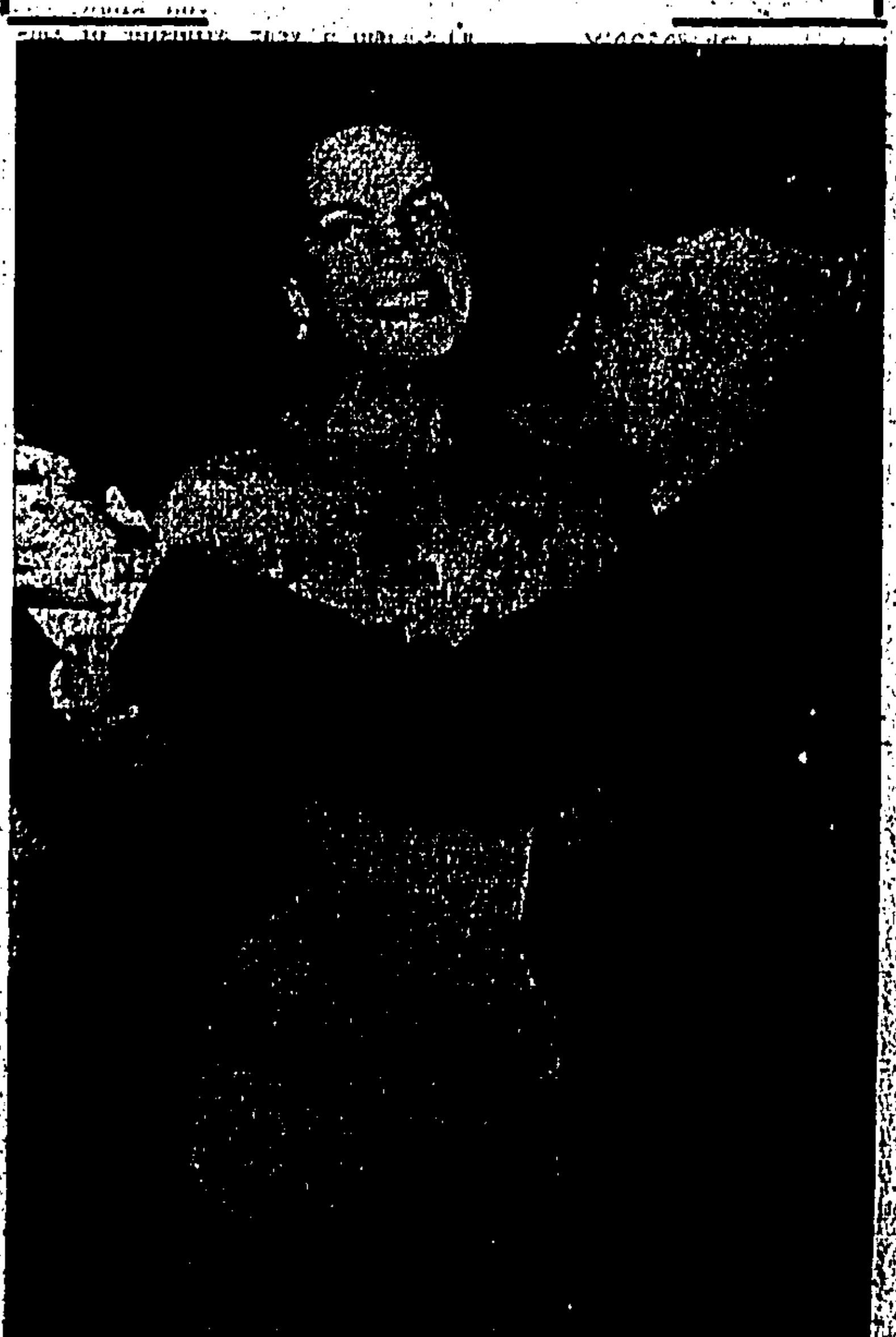
The big American transport "ice" in the long hauls over Antarctica stow and ice may be the new D-8 caterpillar tractor, which can pull sleds carrying 100 tons. The sleds are reported to have a width of 54 inches compared with 22 inches on the conventional tractor. Pressure on snow or ice is only four pounds per square inch compared with eight or nine pounds under older types.

Helicopters are to be used in various stages of "Operation Deep Freeze." Their earliest utility is expected to be to search out the best route through the pack ice for the sea vessels.

Icebreaker

Icebreakers will include the Glacier launched on August 27, 1954, the largest ever built in the United States. Its displacement is 8,800 tons, length 310 feet, beam 74 feet, cruising speed 12 knots, power plant 21,000 horsepower.—United Press.

The Begum Is A Friend



The Begum of Bhopal, Mrs. Asaf-ud-Daula, is a friend of the British. She is the widow of a former ruler of Bhopal. The Begum is a member of the Association of Muslim World Leaders.—Express photo.

Dominici Investigation Today

Paris, Aug. 7.

TWO top Paris detectives tomorrow begin interrogating key witnesses who testified at the trial of Gaston Dominici, 78-year-old gent farmer, sentenced to death for murdering the British Drummond family three years ago.

Inspector Charles Chenevier and Inspector Pierre Gillard of the Surete Nationale, France's Scotland Yard—are trying to find whether Dominici had an accomplice in the killing of food scientist, Sir Jack Drummond, his wife and their 11-year-old daughter, Elizabeth.

High on their list for questioning is Dominici's 35-year-old farmer son, Gustave, who was first to report the Drummond family's bodies in a field near the Dominici Alpine farm. He was sentenced to a short prison term for leaving the dying child unattended.

Another witness is Gaston's grandson, Roger Perrin, a butcher's boy who was 10 at the time of the crime. He often slept at the Dominici farm.

Pipe-smoking Inspector Chenevier, who expects to "get to the heart of the matter" this week, has a theory that there was a second person blocking the child's escape.—China Mail Special.

Moving Restaurant

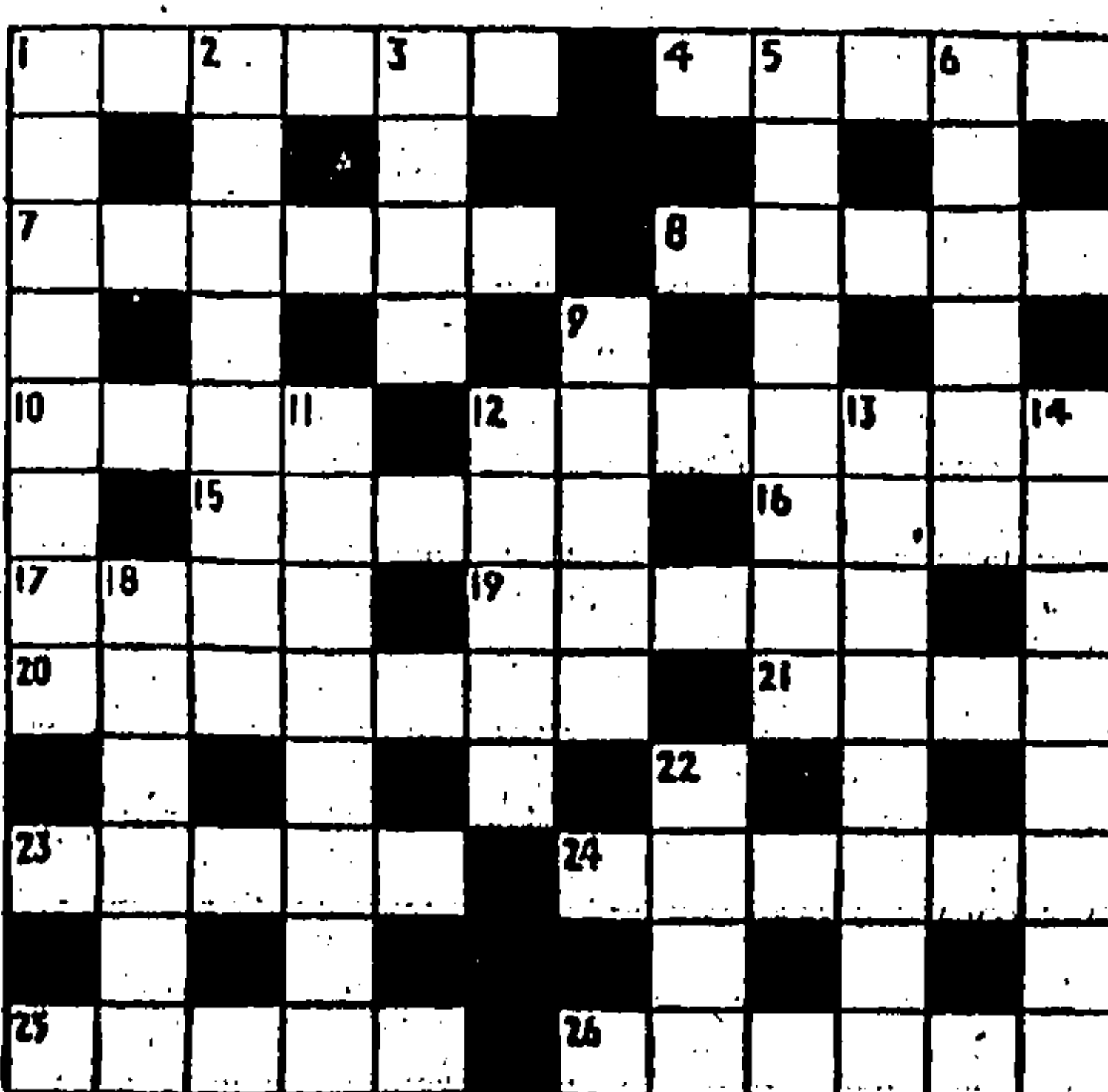
Quebec, Aug. 7.

Customers ate and drank while trucks with winches and pulleys moved the Riviera Restaurant 100 feet back from the Quebec waterfront.

Gas, electricity and telephone services continued to function and business went on as usual during the four-hour job.

Mr. Ernest Roy, the proprietor, said high tides in the spring and autumn threatened the restaurant and it was decided to move to a safer place.—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Lithic (6).
- 4 Pleased (5).
- 7 Stop (6).
- 8 Of less importance (5).
- 10 Sharp flight (colloq.) (4).
- 12 Discussed (7).
- 15 Command (6).
- 16 Narrative (4).
- 17 Narrow road (4).
- 19 Prelude (5).
- 20 Small completely (7).
- 21 Discover (4).
- 23 Discussed (5).
- 24 Fruit (6).
- 25 Banquet (5).
- 26 Frank (6).

DOWN

- 1 Place of execution (8).
- 2 Paris (8).
- 3 Catalogue (4).
- 5 Lively up (8).
- 6 Drive (6).
- 9 Joyful (6).
- 11 Feigns (8).
- 12 Headquarters (6).
- 13 Interfered with (8).
- 14 Fated (6).
- 16 Mute effervescent (8).
- 22 Glass substitute (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Smuggles, 8 Estate, 9 Resolved, 11 Activities, 12 True, 13 Stop, 18 Bites, 19 Able, 22 Pained, 24 Battered, 25 Armada, 26 Taintum. Down: 1 Royal, 2 Stain, 3 Straits, 4 Meat, 5 Groined, 6 Lively, 7 Sudden, 10 Sabor, 14 Rival, 15 Peasants, 16 Parrot, 17 Eleven, 20 Treat, 21 Easy, 22 Pier, 23 Siam.

FREE ENTERPRISE HAS WON AND LABOUR IS CONFUSED

By SIR BEVERLEY BAXTER, M.P.

London. THE crazy railway strike was over. The crazy seamen's strike was still on. Sir Walter Monckton, the Minister of Labour, rose to open the debate in the Commons on the industrial situation.

As always he was courteous and scrupulously fair, but as the interruptions came from all sections of the Socialists the shadows under his eyes darkened and his shoulders drooped with fatigue.

When the time came for winding up the debate, Sir Walter was not in his place. Outraged nature had at last taken its revenge. The debonair Monckton was on the verge of collapse and had been ordered to rest.

When I heard the news my mind went back to 1951, a few days after the Conservatives had been returned to power following six years of Socialist government. Parliament had not yet assembled, but in the Smoking Room of the House of Commons I saw Monckton sitting pensively in a comfortable chair, staring at nothing in particular.

His Sentence

I offered a penny for his thoughts and he smiled ruefully. "Every man is entitled to his ambitions," he said. "I knew that Churchill was forming his Ministry, so I sat by my telephone and never left it. There was no particular reason why I should be given office, but there is always hope. And sure enough the summons came."

He waved his hand rather like a conductor bringing the violin into action. "I did not drive to No. 10," he said. "I danced along the streets. As a lawyer I knew that I would come out of Downing Street as Solicitor-General or Attorney-General."

"Well..." was the obvious query.

"Well..." he echoed. "Ten minutes later Churchill chuckled me out. I was Minister of Labour. And just to add to the fun Winston said he was reducing all Cabinet salaries from £5,000 to £4,000."

Monckton might have added that as a divorced man he had two wives to support, but no doubt it was in the back of his mind. At any rate there was his task—to take over the Ministry of Labour at a period of fierce resentment in the labour ranks following their Government's defeat.

And for five years he has served his sentence without any remission for good conduct. Truly the ambition of men leads them into strange paths. Monckton was born 64 years ago, but his figure has remained slim and youthful, and his hair is plentiful and dark. In a favourable light he could pass for 50.

Without any effort he exudes unaffected charm, for he is totally without conceit or pomposity. In the first war he won the M.C. in France, but almost certainly never disliked the Germans. As a young fellow he went to Oxford and, of course, became President of the Union. He did not have to open a coat—it was always ajar wherever he wanted to enter.

But temperamentally he was drawn to lost causes. He was an official adviser to the Indian princes when the independence of the sub-continent was ending its day of glory. He was Attorney-General to the Prince of Wales and, when in later years the Abdication crisis came, it was Monckton who came to the side of the young King until the destroyer took Edward away to France and the beginning of his wanderings in exile.

Strange Story

It would require all my space, and more, to enumerate the various offices that Monckton held after that. Suffice it to say that finally he entered the House of Commons as a Conservative a few weeks before the General Election of 1945. To his delight he was appointed Solicitor-General, a very great honour in the legal world, but hardly had he assumed that splendid role when a grateful electorate threw out the war-winning Tory Government with extraordinary heartiness.

The man who had been Solicitor-General for a few days was no more than just a private Member at a salary of £1,000 a year. But he did become Chairman of the Governor of St George's Hospital (unpaid). "I did not vibrate at the money medium," he said ruefully. So there came the elections of 1950 and 1951. The 25 years of Socialist rule which Aneurin Bevan prophesied had come to an end in six. And Walter Monckton, who could have earned £25,000 a year at the Bar, became, as you know, the £4,000 a year Minister of Labour.

Truly it is a strange story. Here is a man of such gifts and charm that he could have made a fortune as a lawyer or an industrial adviser. Instead he chose the path of service to the State with all its hazards, its strain and its meagre financial reward.

But clear-visioned as he is I doubt if he foresaw the storms ahead. Labour is nearly always restive, but he had to face a crisis when both the dockers and the railway engine drivers were to strike at the nation's very existence. By night and by day he met the leaders of the Trade Union Congress and the heads of the striking unions. Day by day he answered questions in the House of Commons. Nor did he ever fail to meet the Parliamentary attack with absolute courtesy.

What's Wrong?

No wonder the Socialist leaders paid tribute to him—but they could not arrest the fatigue that was wearing him down. Yet he did not leave the post of duty until the railway strikers had gone back to work.

What has gone wrong with organised labour in Great Britain? The ordinary British worker has not changed his spots. At heart he is a decent, good-natured fellow, inclined to leave things too much to his union leaders, prone to give ear to the hotheads whose chief asset is a gift of one gab.

It is a fact, and a disturbing fact, that in a period when Trade Unionism has won its place as the Fifth Realism of the State, there has not been such unrest since the dark days of 1926. All of us who are concerned with the trend of public affairs are trying to understand what is going on beneath the surface.

Undoubtedly the failure of nationalisation has much to do with it. From the days of the Tolpuddle Martyrs, the cry of Labour has been for State control of essential supplies and services. Instead of the wicked coal owner riding in his carriage and grinding the faces of the poor, there would be the unselfish benevolence of the all-wise and all-human State.

And so the transformation came to pass. With a mighty Socialist Government nationalised the railways, road transport, coal and steel. Utopia had been born at last.

A Paradox

Instead of the hard-faced mine owner and his managers, there was the Coal Board situated far away. It was remote control—so remote in fact that the miners could not reach them with their grievances. The rumblings and the grumblings grew into a menacing prod. Production dropped and costs rose. In fact, Britain became an importer of coal which, you will agree, is absurdity in excelsis. The year 1955 will mark the biggest imports of coal in our history.

In the meantime, the dockers were proving fruitful soil for the glib-tongued Communist agitators. Over the last three years we have hardly had more than a few weeks at a time without holdups in the docks.

Yet here is the paradox. Despite the plague of strikes British industry, under private ownership, was doing well and share prices were rising right across the board.

It is a fact that for more than a year now there has been a sustained stock market boom which has brought untaxable gains to investors and gamblers alike. Women especially have found that the Stock Exchange is far more exciting than Monte Carlo. The mugs and when prices seemed likely to fall the American investors stepped in and sent them up again. Americans had discovered that British equities were giving a higher yield than American equities.

Un-British

Yet there was a perfectly sound reason behind it all. When Sir Stafford Cripps became Labour's Chancellor of the Exchequer in 1949, he called for a dividend restraint. In fact he demanded it. On the other hand, there was no comparable wage restraint. Statistics show that from 1947 to 1954, the period which opened with Cripps' "standstill" policy, wages and salaries rose from 25,475 million to £2,205 million. Yet in the same period interest and dividends rose by only £271 million. Therefore, what has really happened is that interest and dividends have come into

line with wages and salaries. The fact that a lot of silly or shrewd women have crashed in on it is not important. The very essence of a stock market is that shares can be freely bought and sold. Otherwise there would be means by which new companies could raise essential capital.

Nevertheless, the psychological effect has been bad and has supplied the agitators with material for their inflammatory speeches. Fortunately the market now seems to have settled down so that investment, and not just quick profits, will be its chief concern. The ugliest feature of the strikes has been the un-British attitude of strikers towards the few who refused to strike. There is an English phrase, "Being sent to Coventry," which has a cruel meaning. The origin of the saying is obscure but the meaning is stark clear. When a man is sent to Coventry, none of his mates will speak to him.

Thus, after the railway strike ended, there would be an engineer, driving a train, who would not speak to his fireman because he had remained at his post during the strike. In many cases this silence treatment was continued off duty, and was even extended to the fireman's wife.

His Dreams

It is hard to explain in a people normally characterised by humour and broad humanity. But probably the defeat of the Socialist Party at the polls, and the clear evidence that State ownership is doomed to failure, has robbed the British workman of dreams that he had cherished for generations.

Free enterprise has won the war against Socialism. Individualism has won the war against collectivism. However he might phrase it, the cry of the British workman is, "Give me my dreams!" But he knows that his dreams have been destroyed by reality.

Wise Sir Anthony Eden, Chancellor of the Exchequer and Labour Minister Sir Walter Monckton, are encouraging the industrialists to a greater spirit of co-operation. Some of the big industrialists have introduced profit sharing with their workers, and this is likely to spread. So we return to Sir Walter Monckton. Organised labour likes him and trusts him, but it is worried by the realisation that behind his courtesy and humanitarianism there is a surprising toughness. For example, young men of military age are exempted from army service if they sign on to go to sea. But they sign on to go to sea. But hardly had the exempted young seamen walked off the Queen Mary on strike than they received notice from Sir Walter's department that they must stand by and wait for their army call-up papers.

Real Bosses

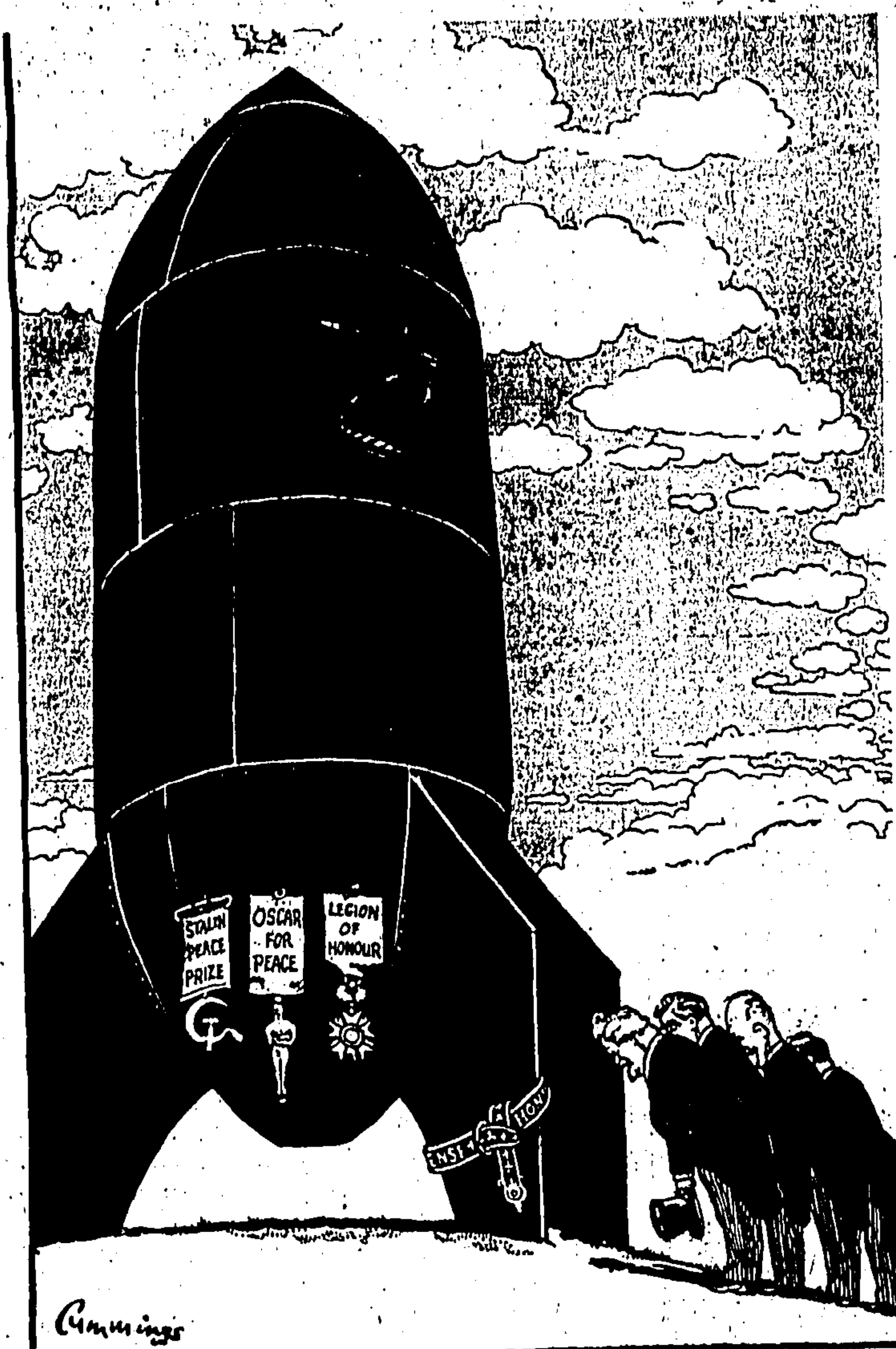
"Why did you act so quickly?" demanded the Socialists in the Commons. To which the suave Sir Walter replied: "Because otherwise I would not have been able to find them." Nothing more was said. That velvet glove of Monckton's conceals a particularly tough bit of metal.

My own feeling is that organised labour will be brought to reason, not by employers or politicians, but by their real bosses. There is an old saying that strikes end when the wives can no longer endure their husbands idling about the house. It may well be that the women of Britain will play the last card.

If, as seems probable, the wives' patience is exhausted, we may see a definite change in the troubled psychology of organised labour.

Perhaps Sir Walter will even be able to get away for a summer holiday where he can sit on the sands and watch the blue waters of the Mediterranean lap the sun-kissed shore.

But in his heart he will know that the time has not yet come when he can utter those last immortal words of Hamlet: "The rest is Silence."



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THE WOULD-BE SUICIDE

DID IT HAPPEN?

FACT or FICTION? All the stories in this series COULD be true. But did this incident actually happen? Tomorrow the answer will be published.

EXAMINATION nerves can make people do funny things. I myself was sick twice before the French Oral in School Cert. But only once have I come across an examinee who threatened suicide if he failed—and meant it.

It happened during my first year as a lecturer at the University College of Swansea. My subject is English, a popular one with students because there's a pretty hefty demand from the schools for people to teach it, and a good majority of Swansea graduates on the Arts side go in for teaching.

So the English classes are large, and any large class contains a number of mediocrities. One of the most mediocre mediocrities that first year of mine was a chap called Howard. I don't know why, but as exam time approached I got worried about Ifan-Thomas. He came to lectures regularly enough, sitting at the front, a small, pale, dried-up figure with dark hair falling over his brow. What marked him out was his extraordinary spatch.

I felt for him no more than the usual blend of exasperation and pity one feels for a difficult student until one evening just a week before the exams. I was in the pub for a couple of quick beers before a play—reading when I got chatting to a Science student who wanted a light. After a bit I happened to ask him if he knew any of the chaps who did English.

"Only one," he said. "Lives in my class, see? Queer type he is."

"Can't really make him out. Hope for your sake they aren't all like him."

Some impulse made me say: "He's not called Ifan-Thomas, by any chance?"

"That's right, man. Dead funny that. Well, roll on, indeed. Struck you as queer too, has he?"

"Yes," I said. "Very queer."

"You want to watch that boy, you know. Worried about him, I am."

"Why, what's the matter with him?"

"These exams, you know, they're driving him half round the bend, honest. Do you know what he told me?"

A twinge of anxiety made me bite my lip. "Not?"

"Said if he don't pass he'll do away with himself."

"Oh, he's pulling your leg," I said, trying to laugh.

"Without a word of a lie, man. He meant it. I know him and he meant it. Disconcerted he said he'd 'do'."

I went on trying to laugh, but it didn't sound convincing.

The Science student went off to chat to some of his mates soon after and I got no more out of him. I thought a good bit about what he'd told me, especially one afternoon the following week when one of the English exams was being held. I went into the exam room, for something, and saw Ifan-Thomas sitting at one of the desks, by the wall.

He looked just as he'd looked at my lectures: not writing, not moving, his head in his hands.

I went across and looked over his shoulder. He gave me a big grin. "I was there in an hour and a quarter, he'd written two answers."

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Ifan-Thomas sat under a standard lamp. A rash of sweat glittered on his upper lip. His hands clasped at his stomach.

I went into my room and shut the door. If things had got as far as this, Mrs Hughes couldn't help.

Ifan-Thomas sat under the standard lamp. A rash of sweat glittered on his upper lip. His eyes were closed, screwed up. From his open mouth there came a harsh, shallow, gasping. His hands clasped at his stomach. Very slowly, he opened his eyes and saw me.

"I'm dying," he said, and a faint smile touched his wet lips. "I'm dying. Sorry."

"Oh God," I said. "You fool. How could you? Just give an exam."

"I know...silly of me. Come to apologise."

"Your lectures...not paying attention...I was rude."

"What on earth does that matter now?"

In Triumph

He seemed to rally for a moment. "I had to fail, you see. Dad would have made me go into school teaching otherwise. Couldn't have stood that. Managed it all right, didn't I?" He shook slightly. "God, wish I was going to die. Been celebrating hard. All that gin."

I couldn't speak. I was to know later that the would-be suicide, Ewelyn Ifan, Zephaniah Thomas (known to his friends as Ifan) had passed with 83 per cent and gone home in triumph. But just now I could only gaze at Howard Ifan-Thomas as he stood up.

"Where can I be sick? All right, I'll find it. Here..." He took a bottle of gin from his pocket and held it out to me.

"Have a swig while I'm gone. You look as if you could do with it."

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Here's Problem To Test Your Savvy

By OSWALD JACOBY
TEAMS representing the University of Texas and Whitman College of Walla Walla, Washington, won the 1955 National Intercollegiate Championship at contract bridge. More than four thousand students at 141 colleges and universities in America took part in the tournament.

One of the most difficult hands of the contest is shown today. South can make the contract against any defense, but he must start with an unusual play. He must win the opening, spade lead and knock out the ace of diamonds.

Then he must take the second spade lead in dummy and lead a club to finesse the queen. His next play is to return to dummy and lead a second club. If East comes up with the king, he is allowed to hold the trick. If East plays a low club, however, South takes the ace of clubs and then gives up a club trick to the king.

This line of play gives South nine tricks, made up of three

NORTH		4
♠ A 9 4		
♥ A 8 3		
♦ 8 7 2		
♣ 10 6 4		
WEST		EAST
♠ Q 10 5 2	♠ 6 3	♠ Q J 9 2
♥ 7 5	♥ 10 9 8 5	♥ K 8 2
♦ A 3	♦ K 8 2	♦ K 8 2
♣ J 9 3	♣ K 8 2	♣ K 8 2
SOUTH (D)		
♠ K 8 7		
♥ K 10		
♦ K Q J 4		
♣ A Q 7 5		
Neither side vul.		
South West North East		
1 N.T. Pass 2 N.T. Pass		
3 N.T. Pass Pass Pass		
Opening lead—♠ A		

clubs and two in each of the other suits.

Now let's see why the normal play of returning the first spade trick will cost South the hand. South thinks he can make the same series of plays, but East has a trick up his sleeve. On the third spade lead, East makes the sensational discard of the king of clubs! After that play South can never make three club tricks without letting West in first.

Of course this is all double-dummyish. There aren't many players, whether college students or seasoned experts, who would think of ditching that king of clubs unless they knew in advance where all the cards were.

♥CARD SENSE♥

Q—The bidding has been:
 South West North East
 1 Spade Pass 2 Clubs Pass
 2 Diamonds Pass 2 Spades Pass

You, South, hold:
 ♠ Q 7 5 3 2 ♠ A K J 6 4 5 3
 A bid at clubs with 14 points in high cards and a good fit, you can afford to go on, but the weakness of your spades prevents you from inviting game in your own suit. If North has good spades he will reassess you; otherwise you may even let North play the hand at club.

TODAY'S QUESTION
 The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
 ♠ Q 7 5 3 2 ♠ A K J 6 4 5 3
 What do you do?
 Answer: Tomorrow

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, AUGUST 8

BORN today, you have an all-round personality. Your versatility, your love for law and order and your vivid imagination combine to make of you a vigorous, progressive person. You learn languages with ease. This is fortunate, for you enjoy travelling and will be likely to visit many of the far places of the earth during your lifetime. You enjoy meeting new people, and will make a host of acquaintances.

Logic and intuition reach a happy medium in you, and although you are able to reason things out with exactness, you are also able to act in a crisis and have your snap judgment prove to be sound and balanced. You are the one upon whom others may depend in times of need. Your magnetic personality makes it possible for others to confide their problems in you.

There may come a time when it will be important for you to pay more attention to your own urgent problems, rather than to utilise your dwindling energies for others.

You have a strong emotional nature and love deeply. Your affections are near the surface and you are apt to be demonstrative. You of the feminine sex are very attractive and make loving marriage partners and fine parents.

Among those born on this date are: Charles A. Dana, noted editor; General Nelson A. Miles, U.S. Army; James Bowdoin, sculptor and educator; Pauline Lord, actress.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Don't be discouraged over a minor disappointment. It might turn out to be the best, after all.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Duty calls and you must obey. Don't deviate from the line of duty or you will seriously regret it.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—With the proper efforts, you will find that business is really picking up these days.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Routine matters are likely to call for more than casual attention. They could turn out to be important.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Be sure that you take advice only from an expert in any problem now under consideration.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Today you might combine business and pleasure. Invite the boss to dinner if you wish.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Best for you to stick to business and not let extracurricular affairs intervene. Nose to the grindstone!

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—If you have an important date, put your best foot forward and make the best possible impression.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Enthusiasm is a good idea but don't build castles in the air. Base your hopes on sound facts.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—Count ten before you answer

in wrath. You could say something you might be sorry for later on.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—You will make better time if you actually make haste slowly. If you rush ahead too fast, you could err.

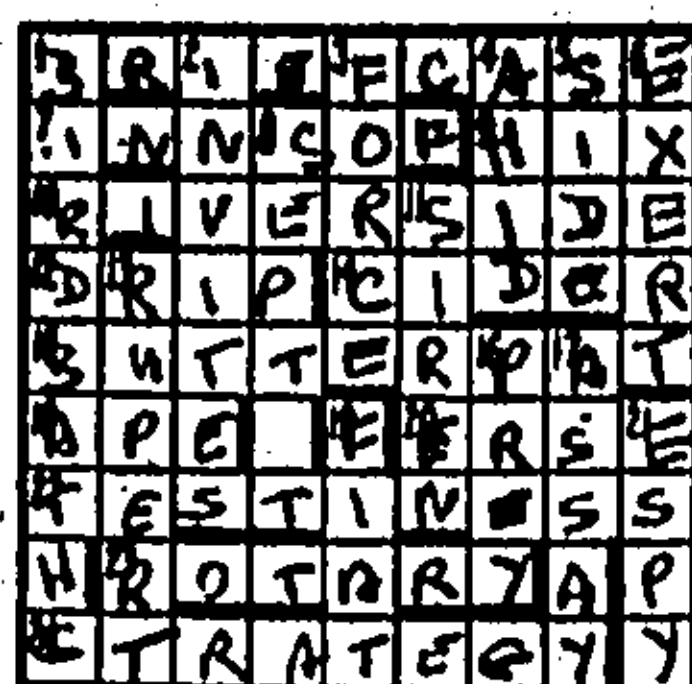
CANCER (June 22-July 23)—If you are looking forward to that annual vacation soon, get your work done ahead and make plans.

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"No more pie?"

CROSSWORD



1. In this one that a lawyer makes short work of (6, 4)
2. Grays and Lincoln's are — (4, 2)
3. You do in an anagram (3)
4. A.P. Oakes (10)
5. Grumble drop by drop (4)
6. Somerset is famous for its (5)
7. This makes a good start for a good spread (6, 3)
8. The middle of the tape (5)
9. It's well-spoken of in Dublin (4)
10. Grumbling by a cricket selector (7)
11. This club makes the rounds (6)
12. Great sty (anag.) (8)
13. Feathered friends can launch out in a bit of a splash here (6, 6)
14. One line (anag.) (7)
15. One hundred gets into the fore (5)
16. Maid like Ruth in relation to the alien corn (4)
17. Swank, maybe (4)
18. A kiss in a backward tree (6)
19. Set pet a little involved (6)
20. Laid out in a bit of a splash here (6, 6)
21. Bear from Page Four (4)
22. Plunder to be eaten (4)
23. Endeavour to extend an eye or ally (6)
24. Order (4)
25. See something under (4)
26. Saturday's solution (4)

WOMANSENSE

How To Keep The 'Bandbox Look' In A Heatwave

HOW do you keep that "bandbox" look during a heatwave? We found just the right girl to give the answer to this topical beauty problem...one of America's leading model girls, a willowy platinum blonde called Siv Borring.

Siv is Swedish by birth and she passed through London recently on her way to model Paris fashions.

THE RULES

Here are Siv's rules for lasting beauty on a heatwave morning:

- Drink plenty of liquids and keep up your energy with sugar. Siv drinks milkless tea and puts five lumps in a cup.
- Brace the skin and close the pores first thing in the morning with a good astringent.
- "Fix" your makeup when completed by pressing all the face firmly with a pad of cotton wool dampened in cold water. This gives a matt appearance and helps you to stay cool.
- Have your hair dressed in a short, cool hairdo, with not too many curls, which will be affected by damp heat.
- Don't eat too many heating starches. Siv eats none herself to preserve her lovely figure (34in. bust, 21in. waist and 34in. hips).
- And here's real model girl make-up (lip for that dramatic effect. Siv darkens her brows with walnut-brown pencil and uses the same pencil to outline her lips before applying lipstick.

I was interested to note that for an elegant young lady Siv travelled so light. "Slim-fitting sheath dresses, with matching jackets, are the answer," she tells me. "For cocktails or informal evening wear I remove the jackets and add jewellery."

Siv was wearing a sheath dress of cream lightweight wool. It has a "scoop" neckline and tiny sleeves and the top part is of gold silk with white spots. The dress's jacket is lined with the same spotted silk and there is a separate silk scarf, which she wears in a variety of ways—around her waist as a sash, or swathing her neck or hair.

Only one hat exists in this smart flying wardrobe. It's a minuscule black velvet Breton beret, and Siv wears it perched on the side of her head. "It goes with everything," she says, "and always looks just right."

White fabric shortie gloves, which are washable, solve another travel problem and she flies with only one pair of slippers. They're made of plastic and look like Cinderella glass slippers.

Her handbag is plastic to match and she lines this with a bright scarf before putting in money, passport, tickets and make-up.

—EILEEN ASCROFT.

The Chef's Unusual Meat Pie

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

"T'S taken the frozen food industry to bring meat pies into fashion again," I told the Chef.

"In France, they have never been out of style. Madame," he replied, "Either hot or cold, whether in the form of raised pies, or puff paste pates, meat pies have always been part of the French cuisine."

"Undoubtedly, the reason meat pies became unpopular here, Chef, is because they were often made with too little meat, too many vegetables and too much crust."

"A meat pie is a main dish and should supply most of the protein for the meal."

Then the Chef rolled up his sleeves and made a most unusual meat pie, in the following way:

Big Beef Vegetable Pie:
 Order 2½ lb. shin or shank of beef, bones removed. Place in a small kettle with 1 bayleaf, 2 tsp. salt, 1 sliced onion, ½ c. celery leaves and boiling water to half fill. Cover.
 Simmer about 2½ hr. or until tender; or pressure-cook 35 min. at 15 lb. using only 1½ c. hot water. Drain the meat. Chill the broth; skim off the fat. Chop the meat fine in a chopping bowl; do not put through the food chopper.
 Into the meat, stir 3 tbsp. flour, 1 tsp. each salt and mono-

sodium glutamate, ¼ tsp. pepper, 2 tbsp. tomato paste, 1½ c. meat broth and 2 c. cooked or tinned mixed vegetables.

Transfer to an oiled 7" x 11" bake-serving dish. Cover with plain piecrust. Press down over the edges; slash in the centre; brush with milk.

Bake 8 min. in a hot oven, 425° F. Reduce the heat to 375° F. bake 25 min. longer. Cut in squares. Accompany with mashed potato.

To freeze, bake in individual aluminium foil containers 25 min. Cool, cover, seal and freeze. Allow 30 min. brown and thaw at 400° F.

Dinner
 Cole Slaw with Green Peppers
 Big Beef Vegetable Pie
 Prune Whip
 Custard Sauce
 Hot or Iced Coffee or Tea
 All Measurements Are Level
 Recipes Proportioned to Serve 4 to 6

Prune Whip: Beat 5 eggs whites stiff. Mix together ½ tsp. salt and ¼ tsp. cream of tartar. Beat into the egg whites. Fold in 1 tbsp. lemon juice and 1 c. sifted prune pulp, or use 1 (7½ oz.) jar junior prunes.

Heap into a buttered quart-size baking dish. Bake about 20 minutes in a moderate oven, 350°-375° F., or until doubled in height and lightly browned.

Serve hot or cold with custard sauce, or unsweetened sliced oranges.

Trick of the Chef
 Add ¼ tsp. crushed cummin seed to 1 quart cole slaw.

Cocktail Dress With Flounces



A smart cocktail dress in black spotted silk, shown by de Givenchy, of Paris.

Household Hints

Try this dressing for vegetable or potato salads. Beat the contents of a six-ounce glass of chive cheese until smooth, then blend in mayonnaise until the dressing is of the desired consistency.

When packing away knitted and jersey garments, fold them around the cardboard forms used for men's shirts. Use tissue paper also, and fold the garment as it was when purchased. You'll find that knit dress will have a good-as-new look when autumn comes.

In cleaning upholstered furniture that has cushions, it's safe to use soaps, detergents, glycerine, denatured alcohol, benzene, carbon tetrachloride, sodium hydroxide, sodium thiosulphate and a weak solution of ammonia (3 teaspoons household ammonia to 1 quart water). Use carbon tetrachloride sparingly; however, it is a rubber solvent.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Hobby Horse's Gallop

—He Gets Off His Rockers and Finds It's Fun—

By MAX TRELL

HARDLY a day passed when the Hobby Horse didn't boast of how he could gallop. He was always telling his friends: "If I could only get my feet out of these rockers! Oh, I'd show you how I can gallop! Oh, HOW I'd show you!"

Finally Teddy the Stuffed Bear, General Bravo the tin soldier, Mary-Jane the rag doll, and Knarf and Handi, the shadow children with the turned-about names, all said they would help the Hobby Horse get his feet out of the rockers.

A Promise

"I'll give you all a gallop!" he promised. "I'll gallop you up and down! I'll give you the fastest gallop you've ever had!"

"All right," said General Bravo, who knew more about horses than anyone else in the room. "For the hobby horse to gallop, he must have a tail. Oh, no—Teddy was sitting on his back!"

"I do!" said the Hobby Horse in a surprised tone. "I just do that, and GO!"

"That's all," said General Bravo. "Now get ready. Let's go! Let's go! Let's go!"

Then Teddy the Stuffed Bear said in quite a low voice to Knarf and Handi: "I don't think 'let-go' is what you say to a horse when you want him to go. I think you say 'giddyap'." Of course, they didn't know much about horses.

Then the most curious thing had happened. The word "giddyap" must have done it.

The Hobby Horse leaped up out of the rockers and galloped forward. He galloped straight for the playground wall. Everyone scrambled out of the way except Teddy who grabbed his tail and hung on to it.

"Whoa there!" shouted General Bravo.

But it was too late. The Hobby Horse galloped through it as though it were made of mist! And still hanging onto his tail was Teddy the Stuffed Bear.

"Here's a pretty how-dee-do!" cried General Bravo. "What will become of Teddy? Let's go!"

So they all dashed through the misty wall and suddenly found themselves in a fine broad meadow.

And there, prancing and galloping as cheerfully as you can imagine, was the Hobby Horse. Only Teddy was no longer hanging onto his tail. Oh, no—Teddy was sitting on his back!

"I can't begin to tell you how much fun this is!" Teddy called down to his friends as he went riding past them.

"I like it, too!" said the Hobby Horse.

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"We'll have you out of your rockers in no time," he said.

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THROUGH THE INVISIBLE WATER BARRIER HE BROUGHT THE RECORD BACK TO THE FAMILY AND TO BRITAIN

The sleek turbo-jet boat speeds out over the calm, blue waters of Lake Ullswater. The man huddled over the controls says a quiet prayer as he opens the throttle. There is a sudden tightening in his throat as the speed builds up: 110 mph...115...120...

The controls become harder to handle, skidding threatens to tip the boat on to its back. The wheel is gripped more firmly as the speed increases. Now it's 130...140...150...160...170...190...200...its 202.32 miles per hour.

Bluebird has done it—smashed the world water speed record, cracked through the invisible water barrier that a boat meets

around the 200 miles an hour mark. Donald Campbell is World Champion. And a wife is de-

liriously happy. A mother smiles a smile of part congratulation, part relief. Her husband, Donald's father, Sir Malcolm Campbell, died in the cause of speed.

VICTORY SMILE

Sir Malcolm's dying wish was that son Donald should bring the water speed record title to Britain. Now he has fulfilled that wish. The victory smile flickers on his lips as he pushes goggles and helmet from a perspiration-covered forehead—those same goggles and helmet that Dad used to wear.

Three brave men had died in previous attempts to beat the water barrier. Italian Champion Verga Mariani vanished in a ball of smoky flame when his speedboat blew up at 200 miles an hour last year. English ace John Cobb and Sir Henry Segrave were also killed approaching the barrier. But jet-boat racing and success on the water isn't just record breaking to Donald. And Bluebird is more than a high-powered speedboat. It is the forerunner of a new form of propulsion—which in the end will revolutionise sea going.

STABILITY

To Donald ships are like trains. They can't go much faster because they're tied to the medium on which they move. But if a ship could rise above the water and maintain its stability by means of a foil below the surface—then a whole new form of water travel would be opened up. It would be safer than flying! It could be faster than anybody at present dreams off.

Bluebird is the first step in that direction. And yet when you meet this extraordinary 34-year-old Donald Campbell, you wouldn't imagine him to be a man interested in science—or breaking records.

He is so ordinary. He looks altogether too powerful and too lucky to be happy in the confined cockpit space of Bluebird. He has the puckish humour of a sports master.

But once on the water Campbell is the calm craftsman. There is no panic, no nerves, no visible misgiving. Just a quiet determination not to take chances. After all you don't toy around with a £25,000 boat. It would be rather expensive building another.

ANOTHER BLUEBIRD

In October, 1951, another Bluebird broke up under Campbell. Now the wrecked craft's propeller goes everywhere. Donald goes—as a reminder that death lurks round the corner should he relax.

An insecure nut, a loose wire, a slack bolt—any of these could mark the first step on the quickening path that ends in tragedy.

But from this man with the ice-cool brain, from this practical joker who can see the funny side of anything, from generously and love animals and children, a typical comment was: "Every job has its risks. It's just that mine seldom gives a second chance."



DONALD CAMPBELL

Most Footballers Start At School But Not Peter Sillett; Cricket Was His Game

Says GEORGE WHITING

Peter Sillett, of Nomansland, Southampton, Chelsea, Young England, England, and Great Britain, has promised himself a beanfeast when he plays right-back for the last-mentioned outfit against the Rest of Europe in Belfast on August 13. And all because of a Frenchman named Vincent.

He was telling me about it last week at Stamford Bridge, where last season's Championship games were being celebrated in the heady and exotic atmosphere of sunshine, gold medals, champagne and a new coat of paint in the front office.

"It was my first full international match for England—against France in Paris last May," said Sillett. "And what do I do?"

"I give away a penalty when I am late in tackling their outside-left, Vincent. He turns two complete somersaults, the referee blows up, and France score the winning goal from the spot."

NO PARTIES

"What a way to play for England—and with my wife watching. No parties for me that night. I was the most miserable man in the world."

"My wife and I slunk away like a couple of criminals and spent the evening in the quietest bar we could find."

An agonising incident... but the point of it is that Mr Sillett now has a chance to make amends to his country, his conscience, his wife, and anybody else who felt peeved over that penalty in Paris.

For who will be playing at outside-left for the Rest of Europe this month? Correct, Monsieur Vincent.

THE LOT

And if the Sillett story runs true to form, dark and just-handsome-enough hero will not have to seek solace in any Belfast bars. For things have a way of turning out right for this pleasant young six-footer with the burr of Hampshire in his voice and the thump of a mule in his right foot.

Meals On Wheels In Circuit Of Britain Cycle Race

Problem for the promoters of the 1,000 miles Circuit of Britain cycle race won by 27-year-old Yorkshire joiner D. Robinson, leader for six of the nine days, in 49 hours 18 minutes 31 seconds, was feeding the 70-odd crack amateur cyclists of Britain selected from an entry of 180.

Since the competitors had to feed on route whilst still pedalling their way round Britain, the traditional roast and veg had to be waived for the more convenient meal in the saddle largely comprising energy-forming sweet stuff easily consumed.

They were issued with a total of 2,200 oranges, 1,600 pears, 1,600 bananas, 800 bars of chocolate, 1,000 glucose tablets, 3,200 pints of fruit juice, 140 lbs of fruit-cake, 160 lbs of cheese, 80 lbs of suet and, according to somebody's count, 10,000 pieces of lump sugar.

Only Argument On The Diamond

No baseball game was played during the week-end.

On Saturday, the U.S. Navy did not show up on time and the game was postponed.

On Sunday both Giants and Overseas Reds did not turn out in full and even the plate umpire was absent at 10:30 a.m. The two teams arrived 15 weeks and 10 days ago and, until now, they have played only one game.

On Sunday, the two teams played a game which was a real test of their strength. The game was played in the rain and the field was very muddy. The game was a close one, with the Giants leading 1-0 in the ninth inning.

BOOT TROUBLE

But talent will out. Three years after his father's death, 14-year-old Peter Sillett, a school at centre-forward for Wiltshire, took a turn at right-back for Nomansland, and got the surprise of his life while changing his pants behind the goal on wet Saturday afternoon.

Arthur Holt, scouting for Southampton, saw enough promise under the mud to sign him on amateur terms.

First time out with Southampton's League side, against Cardiff City, Sillett insisted on playing in the boots that had done duty in the village, split one of them asunder after 20 minutes, continued in his socks, and got told off for his pains.

Came National Service... barman in the officers' mess at Andover... captain of the RAF team... and then Chelsea, in August 1953. Southampton, they say, got £12,000 for him, after Sillett had said no to Sheffield Wednesday, likewise to Preston North End and ditto Sunderland.

Joining manager Drake, his father's old team-mate, was a dream come true, but Sillett, as frank about his failings as he is diffident about his story-book successes, tells no epic tale of those early days at Stamford Bridge.

DROPPED

"I arrived full of beans and bacon, nearly 14 stone. Half-trained. Played in the first seven League games, then dropped. Quite right, too. Football is not as easy as you think. It's not as easy as you think. It's not as easy as you think."

Two goals in the first six minutes by Queensland, who gave the finest display by an Australian side in recent years, provided South China with a shock from which they never recovered.

South China were scored both goals by the Chinese side. The first goal was scored by a Chinese player, and the second goal was scored by a Chinese player.

OPEN RINKS AND PAIRS RESULTS

The following are the results of Open Rinks and Pairs Lawn Bowls Championship matches played yesterday:

B. Douglas, W. S. McHardy, J. B. Baxter, and R. B. Marshall beat C. M. Regan, E. C. Barros, S. S. Hussain, and F. Fox 24-22. W. J. Howard, R. Bass, F. Lee, and L. M. Neves lost to J. Hooper, A. Minu, I. Ali, and A. M. Omar 14-25.

C. F. Santos, L. Silva, R. Tay, and P. K. Lau beat A. E. Pereira, E. C. A. Guterres, C. A. F. Pereira, and C. E. Pereira 18-15.

J. S. Victor, A. V. Lopes, R. G. Laure, C. R. Rosset, and R. M. Hetherington, W. Hart-Baker, H. Hildale, and A. Trail 26-10.

C. de Silva, A. A. Guterres, C. F. Remedios, and L. F. Xavier lost to A. R. A. Rahman, K. M. Rahman, R. M. V. Ribeiro, and U. A. Rahman 17-21.

SOUTH CHINA LOSES TO QUEENSLAND

Brisbane, Aug. 7. South China suffered their first defeat in 12 matches on their Australian soccer tour when they were beaten by three goals to two by Queensland at Ipswich to-day.

With the exception of two players, the South China team was the same which beat Australia 5-0 in the first Test yesterday.

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SOCCER SCANDAL

Another Italian First Division Team Relegated On Corruption Charges

Milan, Aug. 7. Italy's highest football authority tonight ousted a second team from the First Division on sensational charges of corruption which have thrown the sport into the worst crisis of its history in Italy.

The National League relegated Catania, Sicily's only team in the First Division Championships, after investigating charges by a former Secretary of the team that a referee accepted bribes of 1,500,000 lire (£802) to favour it in two matches which it won last season.

This punishment came a few days after similar action against another top division club, Udinese, from Northeast Italy. Udinese, runners-up in Milan in last season's Championships, were relegated to the Second Division and four players of the Propatria team at Busto Arsizio near Milan were barred for life from professional football.

CRUCIAL MATCH

They were accused of having accepted money from Udinese in a crucial match two years ago.

Only a few football fans and reporters were outside the League headquarters when the Commission announced its verdict after an intensive two-day hearing.

Policemen posted around the building to guard against incidents had been withdrawn. There were no demonstrations during the day.

Irate Udinese fans had threatened to march on Milan last week but stayed at home in the end.

Italian newspapers have been giving the scandal pride of place on their front pages. Many of them have published leading articles on the cases of two teams and rumours involving other top teams.

SPORT FRAUDS

Members of Catania's management threatened earlier today that if their club was demoted they would "blow the top off the whole business, dragging in five or six other teams."

At the same time the Government was reported to be considering action to clean up the football tangle. It was reported that the Italian Olympic Committee urged the Government to introduce legislation quickly which would make "sport frauds" a criminal offence.

Football in Italy is big business. Good players are "sold and bought" at huge prices. The public spends annually 3,000 million lire (£1,725,000 sterling) to watch matches and 32,000 million lire (£18,400,000 sterling) on football pool bets.—Reuters.

Bousfield Wins German Open Golf Title

Hamburg, Aug. 7. Ken Bousfield (Coombehill), recent winner of the newly instituted British Close Professional Championship, today won the German open title with a 72 holes aggregate on the Falkenstein Course here of 279.

He finished two strokes ahead of Syd Scott (Carlisle) leader at the end of 36 holes and Alfonso Arguini (Italy) who tied for second place with 281.—Reuters.

Sports Diary

TODAY
Knockout competition at Victoria Pool, Army V South China.

Open Pairs (Third Round)
Matches at KBGC, Recoelo, IRC, HKFC, CCC.

Management Committee meeting of the HKFA, Sports Road, 6 p.m.

TOMORROW
Bowls
Open Pairs matches at KBGC, HKFC, Recoelo, and IRC.

Meeting of Interport Sub-Committee at Sports Road 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
Taiwan Girls Softball team arrive.

THURSDAY
Bowls
Open Singles matches at KBGC, HKFC, Recoelo, CCC and IRC.

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HONGKONG LOSES ESPLIN CUP

News has been received that Hongkong lost the Annual Espin Cup match at Wansai by 17-27.

Hongkong was represented by G. C. Norman, C. Gough, A. L. G. Eastman and J. S. Landolt.

In the three unofficial rinks, A. G. Cole's four went down by 15-17, but E. Brown's four were up by 21-17 and Phil Edwards' four by 23-13.

Hongkong were up on the total aggregate by 76 shots to 74.

Reg Higgins Out Of Rugby Union Team

Johannesburg, Aug. 7. Reg Higgins, British Isles forward who was injured during yesterday's first Rugby Union international between the Lions and South Africa at Ellis Park here was left behind in a Johannesburg nursing home today when the rest of the team left for Durban.

Higgins is suffering from a badly torn knee ligament and according to a doctor who examined him will have to remain in Johannesburg for treatment for about three weeks.

He is not expected to rejoin the team before they return from Cape Town for the third Test in Pretoria towards the end of the month.

It is not yet known when Higgins will be fit to play again.—China Mail Special.



In Sydney the French Rugby League team beat the Australian opponents in a decisive game by 8 points to 5. In this picture, Australian players who have just been tackled by a Frenchman.—France Press Photo.

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From Our Files

100 Years Ago

The Rose, the first of the new postal steamers, made her final trip round the island on Tuesday, the 31st ult. The accommodations of the little vessel are wonderfully extensive for her size. Besides a handsome and very airy saloon, meant exclusively for Europeans, there are no less than five comfortable private cabins on deck. The speed of the steamer is very satisfactory, but this trip cannot be taken as a test, for unfortunately the lever of the feed-pump broke owing to the casting being defective. This caused a stoppage of nearly an hour, and subsequently her speed was diminished, as the hand-pump could not feed the boiler. With these drawbacks, the passage round the island occupied less than four hours.

POLICY SYSTEM PROBE

The Gazette of Saturday last notifies the appointment of a Commission "to enquire into the police system," and invites the public to give evidence either verbally or in writing. As remarked elsewhere, it is not stated what police system is to be inquired into, or whether it is intended to reform the police of Hongkong, or to prove that there are places (which we doubt) where it is a better system. It is also remarkable that the investigations should be unaccompanied with the names of Commissioners;—a material point, for any good end the inquiry will serve depends upon whether or not it is to be conducted by officials. If, as we have heard the members are, the Colonial Secretary, the Chief Magistrate, and the Attorney General, without disparagement to these gentlemen individually, we do not believe that the members of the community who could probably tell most about the police, will volunteer to give evidence either verbally or in writing, to a secret Commission, whether composed of these or any other officials, who are to manage an enquiry into the conduct of officials, and to be answerable only to officials. The public neither knows on what end the investigation is undertaken; but many of them believe—we trust it is not so—that it is to white-wash a rotten establishment, and that volunteer witnesses who might try to produce another result, would probably neither promote the public nor their private comfort.

GOOD LOOKING FELLOW

It will be borne in mind that nobody—at least nobody beyond the official pale—can be compelled to give evidence before this secret tribunal; though, were it an open court, or popularly constituted, there would be lack of testimony, perhaps more than Government would like to have. We use the disjunctive particle or, because we believe that the investigation of certain inquiries and abuses must be conducted secretly in order to be successful; but in such cases, while witnesses should be effectually not nominally protected, the result should be made public.

We do not know that it is the first fruits of the Commission, but on the day fixed for its first sitting, the appointment of Assistant-Superintendent of Police, vacant by Mr. Caldwell's resignation, was conferred on Mr. Grandpre, who, except that he is a good looking fellow, and an alien, with a pretty extensive Government connection, does not possess any peculiar qualifications for the office, certainly not superior to Inspector Jarman, and other inspectors who have been carved out. Such an appointment, while an "enquiry into the police system" is going on, shows pretty plainly that at all events the "system" in Hongkong is not to be reformed.

Typhoon Becomes A Storm

Typhoon Hope was "downgraded" to a tropical storm today but still packed enough punch to threaten Tokyo with 40-mph winds.

Air Force weather planes located the storm at 9 a.m. 280 miles south of Tokyo, moving northeast at 15 miles per hour. Forecasters predicted that Tokyo would be hit later today by steady 20-mph winds with gusts up to 40 miles. United Press.

OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

So Far It's Nothing More Than A Threat

GOVT AND PRICE-RAISING MERCHANTS

Sydney, Aug. 3.

It is just a week ago that the Government rushed into print with the announcement that it would no longer tolerate the merchants who were jacking up prices and controls were to be clamped on immediately.

Sydney beamed. This was the stuff to give the troops. But so far the only ones to cop it in the neck are the bakers who at least have been faced with a rise in the price of flour, yeast and many other ingredients.

Nothing so far has been done about the barber who cheerfully put up the price of haircuts by sixpence to 4/3 and made it dearer to shear a human than shear a sheep, or the dozens of lines that have had a penny and twopenny added to them by the grocer.

Bread, of course, has always been a jolly old political football, and while bringing down the price of haircuts may not gain many votes at the next election, a halfpenny off the price of bread almost certainly will.

The most unbelievable point of all is that the State Government is toying with the thought of re-introducing quarterly adjustments to the basic wage.

It is unbelievable because, although cost-of-living is a very real thing, there is some sort of stability about this, say, wireless and adjustments to the basic wage each quarter would only once more start prices chasing wages and vice versa.

It's mad because each couple of shillings rise in the basic wage adds something like a million a year to the transport bill and our transport already is losing more millions a year than any sane man cares to think about.

And it's out of the question because the Federal Courts have scrubbed the adjustments, which would mean that people working under Federal awards would not get any increase whereas his workmate, under a State award, would get a few shillings rise—none of which would help towards industrial peace.

All people are hoping at the moment is that, but as prices are rising, the Government will be content to leave them be rather than meddle with wages.

CAR RACKET

It has been recognised round these parts for a considerable time that as far as many dealers are concerned the second-hand car business is just a racket.

The Quarter Sessions Court this week Judge Carlwils said it was wicked that inexperienced young men could start got-rich-quick businesses, handling large sums of other people's money and keep no records.

"I don't know how these people furnish income tax returns," he added.

He made this criticism when two second-hand car dealers pleaded guilty to having defrauded people of large sums of money.

He let one off on a bond, sent the other to gaol.

Many of these dealers are experts in dressing up an engine that has seen a few days with a mixture of disinfectants, kerosene and water and the most smelliest old engine looks sweet and, with a little tinkering, runs beautifully—for about a fortnight, then...

Of course, there are some mighty fine car dealers who go out of their way to do a good job, but many of them are just get-rich-quick merchants.

TOUGH ON THE HOADS

Two of the people most fed up with mankind at the moment must surely be Davis Cup player Lew Hoad and new wife Jenny.

For the last week or so we have been fed all sorts of stories about Lew. His grumpy, sulking, rude, impatient and all the rest of it.

It's quite obvious that Lew Hoad is out of form. He is newly married and he's missing Jenny. So what? He is not the first player in any sport to lose form and maybe it's not so unnatural that he should be missing Jenny.

In Melbourne, Mrs Hoad did not pull any punches. She protested that "people already are prying into our private lives." She said she was used to read reports that her husband was making and disgruntled because she was not in America.

"They're silly stories," she said, not very far from tears.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Well, Mr Schultz, what kind of excuse have you drummed up for the price of steak this year? Are you going to pull that old drought on us again?"

Boys Winning Now They Grow Degrees The AB-Sea Way Apples Without Pips

London, Aug. 7.

More and more boys who cannot afford to go to a university are going to sea instead to win their degrees while they earn.

They are studying in their spare time aboard Britain's merchant and fishing ships.

They study under a University of London scheme instituted two years ago which includes merchant ships as examination centres for subjects which do not need practical examinations.

Not Dodgers

The men find a ship better than a university not only because they can earn while they learn, but because there are far fewer distractions at sea than ashore.

An official of the Seafarers' Education Service, which administers the scheme, says: "It is surprising how many boys from good homes are studying in the to/cdle these days. They are not Army dodgers but cannot afford to go to universities and are willing to work hard and study at the same time."

Not Illiterate

"They study by correspondence courses, taking such subjects as law, mathematics, economics, geography and languages. These do not need a practical examination which would be impossible on a ship."

There are thousands of sailors studying at sea now-days. People who think sailors are illiterate have outdated ideas. The average sailor today is far better educated than the average person ashore. Many sailors take degrees as a hobby.

Manchester-London Express Derailed

London, Aug. 7.

A locomotive engineer was killed and some 30 passengers were injured today when the first six cars of the Manchester-London express went off the rails south of Derby.

Two of the injured passengers were reported to be in a serious condition.

The derailed cars pulled down telephone lines bordering the track.—France-Press.

Madman Arsonist

Zweibreeken, Aug. 7.

Otto Palm, 27-year-old fireman who started seven fires in the Rhine-Ruhr-Palatinate area because he liked to ride on the new fire engine, was sent to an asylum by a court here today.

The damage resulting from the fires was about 400,000 Marks (about £33,500 sterling). Police at first believed a saboteur was at work because the fires were all near American military establishments. Communist rioters started the fires to frame Communists.—China Mail Special.

London, Aug. 7.

Apples are growing without pips at a research station in Somerset.

The successful experiment is among several now being carried out to safeguard the county's production of cider.

A team of experts, led by Professor T. Wallace, director of the National Fruit and Cider Institute research station is carrying them out at the station's headquarters at Long Ashton, near Bristol.

The experiments are being conducted in association with Bristol University.

Professor Wallace has disclosed that ways had been found on the station of removing the pips from apple fruitlets used in the tests. Growth substances were substituted—and the fruitlets continued to grow and swell to maturity.

The station is also using radio-active isotopes in research into insecticides, said Professor Wallace.

Bug-killer sprays sometimes contaminate the fruit and nectar. By introducing the isotopes as tracers into insecticides it has been possible to photograph the isotopes inside the plants and so trace their activity.—London Express Service.

Bumper Rice Crop

Tokyo, Aug. 8.

Reports coming in from rice farmers throughout the country indicated that this year's rice crop would reach an all-time high, a Ministry of Agriculture source said today.

The long hot spell during July was said to have been the contributing factor for the bumper crops, which, according to the Ministry of Agriculture and Kyodo news agency forecast, would top 248,811,000 bushels, smashing the previous record crop of 246,572,100 bushels for 1933.

The estimated crop would surpass by 49,000,000 bushels last year's crop of 297,899,500 bushels.

Rice is still a controlled item from the way days and suggestions have come up in the past to make it a free item. But there has been strong objection from the poorer people to freeing rice because they fear the price will then become prohibitive. But with advance reports of a bumper crop black market rice prices were reported to be lower than the official price.

Financial Ministry sources believed that rice can be taken off the controlled list early next year in view of the expected bumper crop and substantial stocks on hand.—United Press.

Two Men Charged With Armed Robbery

Accused of having taken a wrist watch and a gold ring from a woman at the point of a knife, two men, Lee Hing and Woo Cheung-ying, stood trial for robbery at the Victoria District Court before Judge J. Reynolds this morning.

Lee was further charged with stealing a wrist watch from an acquaintance by trick at the Golden City Theatre.

Insp. K. Bodie prosecuted.

Evidence as to the robbery by trick was that the complainant, Yau Chung and his friend, Szeto Chung, went to the theatre at 7.15 p.m. on May 5 to buy tickets for the 9.30 p.m. performance.

They met the accused, Lee, who was known to Yau, and two other men.

Lee told Yau that he could get two complimentary tickets for him and his friend. He then asked Yau to let him have a look at his wrist watch and a gold ring which he was wearing.

Lee said he would give them the tickets if Yau would let him have the watch and the ring.

Yau agreed and Lee took the watch and the ring. Lee then gave the tickets to Yau and his friend.

Lee then went to the police station and reported the robbery.

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Depression Moving Away From HK

The tropical depression was about 340 miles south-east of Hongkong and was moving away from the Colony at 9 a.m. today.

A warning was issued by the Royal Observatory, stating that the depression was centred within 60 miles of 19.5 degrees N. and 120.0 degrees E. moving northeast at 10 km.

An earlier warning stating the position of the depression at 3 a.m. said that the depression was intensifying.

Landlords Withdraw Application

An exemption application in respect of premises situated at No. 7, High Street, Victoria, was withdrawn at Supreme Court today, without prejudice to the bringing of a fresh application.

Mr. Patrick Yu, instructed by Mr. Wong Wal-pat of Messrs Deacons and Company, appeared on behalf of the applicants, Messrs So Yuck-wai and Lo Yip-man, landlords of the property in dispute.

Messrs Wong Sul, Ho Chik-ting and Lee Sul-cheong, opponents who had filed responsive applications were represented by Mr. A. S. C. Comber of Messrs Hastings and Company.

Mr. J. H. G. Way, Chairman of the Tenancy Tribunal Panel with Mr. Chan Hau-leung and Mr. A. S. Abbott, gave permission for the case to be withdrawn.

First Indian Aircraft

New Delhi, Aug. 7.

The first plane ever built in India will take part in the International Air Show to be held in Djakarta on August 18 and will be presented by India to the Indonesian Government after the show, it was disclosed here today.

The show will mark the 10th anniversary of Indonesia's independence.

The plane, an all-metal monoplane trainer, known as the HT-2 was built entirely in India from Indian materials except the motor.—France-Press.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.

6 p.m. Time Signal and Programme Summary; 6.30, Children's Hour presented by Sally Ann (Studio); 6.30, Australian Trade Catalogue; The Fortnightly Review of Australian Industry; 6.45, Rhythm on Rhythm; 7.15, "Box 200" Bert Gillett at the Organ (OB); 7.30, Announcements; 7.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.50, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 12.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio).

REDIFFUSION

5 p.m. Children's Corner—conducted by Annie Vail; 5.30, Monday requests—presented by Betty; 5.35, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 5.40, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 5.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 5.50, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 5.55, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.05, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.10, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.20, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.25, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.35, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.40, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.50, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 6.55, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.05, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.10, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.20, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.25, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.35, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.40, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.50, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 7.55, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.05, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.10, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.20, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.25, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.35, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.40, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.50, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 8.55, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.05, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.10, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.20, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.25, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.35, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.40, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.50, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 9.55, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.05, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.10, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.20, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.25, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.35, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.40, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.50, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 10.55, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.05, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.10, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.15, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.20, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.25, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.30, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.35, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.40, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.45, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.50, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 11.55, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio); 12.00, "The Big Show" presented by "The Big Show" (Studio).

Police Officers In Car Accident

Mr. J. Moore, Senior Police Superintendent, was the driver of an MG car which was involved in a traffic accident in Causeway Bay Road last night. It was learned from the Police Traffic Department this morning.

Mr. D. A. R. Colbourne, ADCI, Hongkong, was with Mr. Moore in the car when the accident occurred.

Two girls were injured in the accident and were admitted to Queen Mary Hospital.

Police are investigating.

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